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Nordic excitement...

SKATING FOR A WIN: Almost 600 Nordic skiers converged on Haliburton's Glebe Park last Thursday and Friday to compete in the provincial high school championships. Haliburton high school organized and hosted the championship for the second and final year of its two year commitment and once again, the event was blessed with some of the most spectacular weather and skiing conditions of the winter. Dozens of local volunteers put in long hours before and during the event to ensure everything went smoothly. Above, the start of the senior girls' relay. For more coverage, see page 11

Construction unions sign on local workers

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

The unions representing workers at the two healthcare expansion sites have agreed to let local workers join the projects.

Bradscot Construction, which won the tender to add 30 long-term care beds in Haliburton and expand Hyland Crest, including the new emergency wing, says the unions have given it approval to hire more people locally.

The unions will accept the employees hired into the union on a temporary basis.

By allowing local workers to join the union, it addresses a controversy stirred up by letters to the editor in the two local newspapers. The letter writers complained that although local residents were expected to raise one-third of the cost of the expansion projects, many local workers could not benefit from the job creation because they either weren't allowed to join the union or couldn't afford the full union membership dues.

"We've taken criticism over something we can't control," said Hugh Nichol, chairman of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board, at its regular meeting on Thursday night. The HHHS administers the two hospitals and is slated to take responsibility for Hyland Crest, which is presently owned by the county.

Bradscot is a unionized shop

and therefore has to follow union rules.

It also announced that it has hired two local firms, North Steel and Tischler Woodworking, to work on the projects, as well as Royel Paving of Cameron.

"It's a meaningful contribution to the local economy," said board member Jack Brezina.

Meanwhile, construction is

going well at Haliburton Hospital, where Bradscot capitalized on winter's late arrival by getting the footings poured, allowing some work to continue once the snow arrived. Some of the walls are already up.

Because of the fill that had to be added at the Hyland Crest site, this was not possible in Minden, where work is on pause for the winter.

Amalgamation may see politicians get pay raise

PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Members of council for an amalgamated Stanhope and Sherborne et al would get huge pay hikes, under a proposal the two municipalities are studying.

The reeve of the merged council would be paid \$30,000 per year — five times more than the \$6,000 Stanhope's reeve receives currently and more than four times higher than the \$6,160 Sherborne pays

its reeve.

The deputy-reeve would make \$20,000 per year — more than three times greater than the \$5,500 salary a deputy-reeve earns in both Stanhope and Sherborne.

Councillors would also have their pay cheques bumped up substantially. The three council members on the proposed council would make \$10,000 each, double the \$5,000 Stanhope pays its councillors and nearly double the \$5,280 councillors are paid in Sherborne.

Stanhope and Sherborne

council members proposed the pay scale at a meeting in mid-January when they initiated formal restructuring talks.

Clerk-administrators for the neighbouring municipalities have been directed to use the figures as they study the financial implications of amalgamation.

Politicians defended the large increases last week, arguing members of an amalgamated council would have a much larger workload.

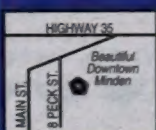
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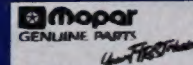
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Wilberforce is "scouting" for young boys

THE SCOUTING movement is moving to Wilberforce. Jack McKeever, who's been a leader for 10 years elsewhere, is starting up Beavers, Cubs and Scouts and invites boys from the surrounding area to join in the fun. Beavers, for boys five to seven, is Monday night from 6 to 7. Cubs, for boys eight to 10, is Thursday night from 6:30 to 7:30 and Scouts, for boys 11 to 14 is Tuesday night from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Scouts will run year round but Beavers and Cubs will take a summer break. The cost to register for the year is \$33.50. For more information, call Jack or Verna-May McKeever at 448-1716.

Oops! The Wilberforce Heritage Guild has noticed a mistake in one of its pancake

recipes. If last week's story about the delicious flapjacks made you rush out to buy the recipe book, please add "3 tsp baking powder" to the list of

here, there & everywhere —
news and events worth noting

ingredients for traditional pancakes.

Imagine strolling along the Seine on a warm spring evening. If you can't make it to Paris, then Sir Sandford Fleming College offers its Spring Sizzler fundraising dinner. The evening will showcase the haute cuisine of Fleming's Cook Apprentice faculty and students and will include silent and live auctions as well as live entertainment. Tickets for the March 24 celebration of French food are \$50. Call Stella at 705-749-

5558 or Nancy at 705-749-5509. Proceeds will benefit all Fleming students through an expanded bursary program.

There's a double musical and movie treat when organist Ian Sadler and the Peterborough Singers "accompany" a screening of the silent movie classic, Phantom of the Opera. Those who feel adventurous are encouraged to come to the March 6 performance/viewing on March 6 dressed as the Phantom. Starting time at Murray Street Baptist Church is 7:30 p.m., tickets are \$10. Call 705-749-5874 for more information.

Esther Topper will lead a class on creating a decorative clay tile. The participant has the choice of either painting or using a sculptural effect or one of each. The cost is \$20 and includes clay for the two tiles and firing. It's Thursday, March 25 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Dorset Recreation Centre. Space is limited so please register in advance by calling 705-766-9968.

March is Kidney Month and the Kidney Foundation of Canada is seeking donations to support medical research and provide services to kidney patients and their families. Kidney disease affects more than two million Canadians and ranks sixth among diseases causing death in Canada. To make a donation, call 1-800-387-4474.

School lunch solicitation is "a scam"

On February 24, a Stanhope resident received a telephone call from a male party who advised that he was fundraising for a school breakfast and lunch program. The caller requested either \$184 to support a student for six months, or \$365 to support a student for one year.

The resident requested confirmation of the validity of the program. In response, the caller advised that he would invoice her, but refused to give any other information. The resident also stated that she was a member of The Ontario Provincial Police Community Policing Commit-

tee. She further advised that she thought that the caller was promoting a scam, at which time the caller hung up.

The resident then contacted local schools, who advised that they never solicited funds over the phone. A further call to Phone Busters revealed that this was indeed a

scam, and had been used recently in the Barrie area.

Police say that this type of phone solicitation is a scam. Any individuals receiving such a call, please contact either the Ontario Provincial Police or Phone Busters at 1-888-495-8501.



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Paramedics given citation for bravery

■ "I'm running and can feel air under my feet," says Tammy Gueran, who, along with Carman Coumbs, had to flee as a cement floor dropped eight feet below them

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

It was a dreadful tragedy which took the life of a teen-aged boy.

It was a horrifying experience which still gives Tammy Gueran nightmares.

And it was both a regrettable and honourable way to earn a citation for bravery.

For Gueran and fellow paramedic Carman Coumbs, it's with a strange mixture of deep sadness and personal pride that they will accept the citation "in recognition of their professionalism under adverse conditions."

Both of the Highlands' residents were working out of the Bobcaygeon ambulance base on the afternoon of March 28, 1998 when the call came in.

A group of young skateboarders had been practising on the cement floor of an abandoned condominium site in Bobcaygeon. The site was an irresistible mecca for skateboarders, who are always on the look-out for flat, hard surfaces. Suddenly, a heavy windstorm swooped over the site and the teens sought refuge from the rain against one of the eight-foot concrete block walls that rose mutely into the sky.

Such was the power of the wind that one wall came tumbling down, injuring two of the skateboarders. Their friends ran to the closest neighbours to get help, and soon Coumbs, Gueran and volunteer firefighters were on the scene.

The two paramedics split up, taking one of the injured skateboarders each. Coumbs got one of the worst frights of his life when he looked into the face of his patient and realized the injured young boy was his great-nephew.

"But then your training takes over - you've got to forget who it is and do your job," says Coumbs during an interview at the Haliburton base. "You just react automatically and your first concern is patient care."

Coumbs was aware that the situation was precarious. The condominium's developers had poured a cement floor for an



"THE WORST CALL OF MY LIFE"

Paramedics Carman Coumbs and Tammy Gueran will be given a citation for bravery in recognition of their efforts at a tragic accident in Bobcaygeon last March. They are both Highlands residents who were working out of the Bobcaygeon base.

underground parking area and put in the steel beams which supported the poured concrete first floor. The few walls which had been erected before the project was abandoned were likely fire barriers. (There are still pending legal issues in reference to the site being abandoned as it was.)

The injured skateboarders were on the main floor, and when Coumbs hurried across to his patient, "I heard strange noises like milk on Rice Krispies."

"I think we were working in a more dangerous situation than we realized."

Because of the way the site

was built into a hill, Gueran didn't know that she was working on the main floor, and that there was eight feet of air separating that floor from the

ground. "I thought I was on a solid foundation."

Coumbs and the firefighters had placed his patient on a body board and he was about to tape his patient's head to the board when in an instant, the entire floor dropped about a foot.

"It wasn't slow motion, it was whoompf! I apparently yelled that we've got to get out but I don't remember that," he says. "We were walking off as the floor was going down."

Meanwhile, Gueran was working on her patient with an off-duty paramedic who was there as a firefighter, Carl Gleeson. "You do certain things in a certain order but when I got there, it was more a mother thing taking over," she says of her reaction to her patient, who reminded her of her own teenaged son.

"We didn't know there was an underground parking area. I could hear people yelling, but it was all in the distance," she says. "I remember Carl saying 'we've got to go,' and I kept saying no. He grabbed my arm and said the floor was going to go. If it wasn't for Carman yelling at me to get off the floor, I wouldn't leave, I was too focused."

"I'm running and I can feel air under my feet. I looked back and everything went down this big hole."

Tragically, the second young skateboarder fell with the floor and was killed.

"I was so distraught, I just lost it," says Gueran. "Then the boy's father came up to me and asked if I knew where his son was."

"That was the most awful, worst call of my life."

She is still haunted by nightmares and her own constant barrage of "what ifs."

When she found out that the Lindsay OPP had forwarded a letter to the OPP Professional Standards Bureau, Commendations and Awards Unit, and that she and Coumbs will be receiving a citation for bravery some time this year, Gueran wasn't overwhelmed by a sense of pride. "To be recognized for the pain and suffering of another family, I can't feel any joy in it."

However, her fellow paramedics in Bobcaygeon and Haliburton are glad that Coumbs' and Gueran's bravery is being publicly recognized, something they say doesn't happen often.

Bob English, assistant manager of the Bobcaygeon and District Ambulance Service, credits the two paramedics for "their unselfish actions under such dangerous conditions... and for their continued excellent patient care to the people of Haliburton and Victoria Counties."

"Not that I want another situation like that, but it's nice to be recognized. The citation is a real honour," Coumbs says. "There was nothing good about that call, but there could have been more people killed (were it not for actions taken.)"

"People say to us that 'you must get hardened to this (sort of tragedy),' but you've got feelings and family and when that day comes that I don't have feelings for people, I'm not going to be doing this."

Woman robbed during a "home invasion"

A single victim was held in a home invasion early Saturday morning while an unknown number of assailants ransacked the Haliburton residence and made off with an undetermined amount of cash, say police.

At least one of the suspects was carrying a firearm, but police are releasing few other details about the crime.

The victim, who sustained minor injuries, was held in a bedroom throughout the incident.

Police didn't say whether the home invasion is believed to be a random crime or whether the suspects may have known the victim.

Members of the Victoria/Haliburton Criminal Investi-

gations Unit are investigating the incident with the assistance of the Minden/Coboconk OPP.

Anyone with information about the incident is asked to call the Minden/Coboconk OPP at 286-1431 or toll-free at 1-888-310-1122 (24 hours). Calls can also be placed with Crime Stoppers at 1-800-563-8477.

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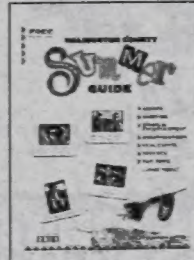


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Pay increase would recognize job's time demands

■ "You're going to have to do much more work," reeve says if Sherborne et al and Stanhope merge

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"If we go to amalgamation, I can't see five people doing all that work for the same money (councillors are paid now) because you've got extra territory," said Stanhope deputy-reeve Murray Daniels. "There's going to be a lot more work."

The reeve of an amalgamated council, who would also sit on county council, would be taking on "pretty much a full-time job," he said.

Stanhope's reeve, Eleanor Harrison, was on vacation last week and couldn't be reached for comment.

Sherborne reeve Don Shortreed said the job of a municipal councillor has become far more time-consuming and complicated since he first joined council 28 years ago, especially with the downloading of services by the province last year.

Merging the two municipalities would increase demands on councillors even further, he said.

"You're going to have much more work, if you do that ... There will be more meetings and longer meetings because you're going to be getting into more detail. It's not like before when you have a meeting and it's two or three hours. A lot of these meetings now are all day."

Both Shortreed and Daniels stressed the suggested pay scale isn't "carved in stone."

"It's a framework to give the clerks something to work with. We're thinking more in terms of the future of what it might be," said Shortreed. "I wouldn't be in favour of (salaries) going to that the way it is now."

Shortreed said the proposed salaries are comparable to pay rates for councillors in Muskoka.

But they would be far higher than what other municipal politicians in Haliburton County make.

In the county's largest municipality, Dysart et al, the reeve is paid \$7,200 per year, the deputy-reeve gets \$5,200 and councillors receive \$4,700.

The pay scale in the county's second-largest municipality, Anson, Hindon and Minden, is more than 50 per cent higher, but it's still much lower than what's proposed should Stanhope and Sherborne amalgamate.

Minden pays its reeve \$10,000, the deputy-reeve \$9,000 and councillors \$8,200.

Even though politicians in Stanhope and Sherborne have proposed cutting their numbers in half by amalgamating — to five councillors from the current 10 — they would be increasing the total payroll for council.

The new council would have an \$80,000 payroll, nearly 50 per cent higher than the combined \$54,000 Stanhope (\$26,500) and Sherborne (\$27,500) pay their politicians.

Daniels acknowledged some ratepayers may find the proposed council salaries too high, but noted, "They'd be free to run for one of the jobs."

All members of Stanhope council were acclaimed in the last municipal election when their seats weren't challenged. In Sherborne, the reeve and deputy-reeve were acclaimed and just four candidates ran for the three councillor positions.

Clerk-administrators in the two municipalities have been asked to determine if amalgamation would cut

administrative costs since that's where the greatest savings would likely be found.

They will look at the cost of operating a single administrative headquarters at Stanhope's municipal office, compared to running a main office in Stanhope and a satellite office in Dorset.

The two councils hope to have a report from the clerks within the next two weeks.

"If there are savings there, we would probably definitely look at other areas, and we may look at other areas anyway," said Daniels.

Stanhope and Sherborne already share various services, such as road maintenance and bylaw enforcement, to reduce costs.



GET THEM TO THE CHURCH ON TIME:

On the eve of Jordan Benedict's 30th birthday, he eagerly awaits a large cheque from his wealthy Uncle Harvey. But will Harvey discover Jordan's secret and refuse to give him the money? To find out, audiences can attend this week's performances of *June Groom*, the Highlands Little Theatre's latest comedic presentation. Cast members include Chris Ratz, reclining on the laps of fellow thespians Mike Johnson, Kate Campbell, Camilla Pettit, as well as Tom Robinson, Donna Gagnon, Eleanor Cooper. Absent from photo are Cathy Cox and Suzanne Haedicke. The play runs March 4, 5 and 6 at Archie Stouffer Elementary School in Minden starting at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$8 and are available at the door or in advance at Cranberry Cottage in Haliburton or The Storeroom in Minden.

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Greg's Avalanche Adventure

■ Back home in Haliburton, though, it wasn't much fun for his parents

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

The danger signs couldn't be ignored.

All through the town of Lech, high in the Austrian Alps, signs were posted with the number five boldly emblazoned on them. On a scale of one to five, skiers knew, five meant the threat of avalanches was at its highest.

Public broadcasting systems reminded the skiers of this fact with equal frequency.

Tension grew as everyone became acutely aware of three metres of new snow now resting on the sides of the avalanche-prone mountains which surrounded them. Floodlights aimed on the mountains acted as a disturbing reminder that in the dark of night, when holiday-ers thought they were safe in bed, the snow could suddenly swoosh down over them.

Then, when television reports announced that more than 30 people had been killed when an avalanche buried another ski resort town just 25 kilometres away, Greg Forgrave really started to get nervous.

"He wouldn't watch the news reports because it made him scared," his father Peter says.

If Greg was nervous, his parents back home in Haliburton were downright petrified. Greg knew that despite the threat of avalanche, he was safe and alive. His parents, Peter and Laraine, had no way of finding out that information because the phone lines into Lech were down.

"We had our emotional moments, certainly," says Peter. "We were really worried. You just had to have faith and keep your head."

Until last Friday morning, the last time the Forgraves heard from Greg, he was on his way to Lech for a snowboarding holiday with his first host family. He had been in the Austrian town of Gmunden as the Rotary exchange student since last August and it was his first chance to do some serious snowboarding.

That was February 20 and the next time he'd call was February 26, only six days on the calendar, but a lifetime of worrying for his parents.

"We heard about the avalanche in Austria on Tuesday night and, gulp, we were pretty worried because we knew Greg was in that area," Peter continues. "Wednesday morning, I phoned the Canadian embassy in Vienna, and all

they could tell me was that no Canadians had been killed. They gave me a number of an agency in Innsbruck which tracks avalanches. They were very nice. They told me there had been no avalanches in Lech but it was cut off because some of the phone lines were down."

That afternoon, there was another avalanche in the Austrian Alps, this time 10 kilometres away from Lech "so Thursday I'm on the phone again to Innsbruck."

Again, there was no specific information about Lech and the worrying continued. To try to find out more, Peter signed on to an Internet chat group in Germany, saying he couldn't speak German but could someone please let him know if there was some way to find out what was happening in the Alps. Two minutes later he got a response from someone who gave him the web site of German radio

station which had real audio news reports in English. "Tuning" in, the Forgraves were able to get more up-to-the-minute information, but still no word on the conditions in Lech. At one point, they learned, there were avalanches in Europe once every 20 minutes.

On Friday morning, Peter had his boots on to go out to volunteer at the OFSSA competitions at Glebe Park when the phone rang. (Peter's a retired principal; Laraine still teaches at Victoria Street School.)

It was Greg. "It was a pretty joyful phone call," says Peter, whose voice still brims with happiness and the release of all that tension. "I can hardly wait to just sit down and talk to him about it when he gets home."

Greg admitted to being a little nervous as the week progressed and the snow kept falling. He tried to go snowboarding, but

he could only see as far as his board, the air was so white with snow. "He said it wasn't much fun."

Finally, on Thursday night, crews were able to open the roads which had been blocked with snow. As the family set off along the serpentine route, Greg said the snowbanks towered six metres above them.

Although "home" was east in central Austria, so many roads were closed that they had to drive west to Switzerland, then into Germany and only then back into Austria. For Greg, too, it was a relief to be able to phone Haliburton to let everyone know he was safe.

"We feel fortunate," Peter says two days after Greg's avalanche adventure came to a happy conclusion. However, next time Greg says he wants to go for a trip, the Forgraves might be tempted to say "only as far as Minden!"



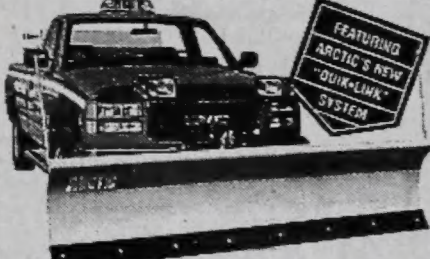
This photo, (recently received via Roblin, Manitoba, as outlined in last week's Echo) shows Greg on the left with his host brother during a sightseeing trip. Greg, a Rotary exchange from Haliburton, unfortunately, didn't tell his parents where the photo was taken.

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Chamber asks county for extra \$70,000

■ *Money would be used for marketing venture*

PETER DOWNS

Staff Reporter

The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce is asking the county to more than double the money it's given to market the area as a vacation destination.

County council provides the organization \$50,000 per year to promote the Highlands.

But Chamber representatives asked councillors Wednesday for an additional \$70,000 this year — bringing the Chamber's total funding request to \$120,000 — so they can reach a wider audience.

Chamber manager Brian Dean and president Bryan Kernohan said \$10,000 of the additional funding would go towards TV advertising. The remaining \$60,000 would enable the Chamber to take advantage of a new provincial marketing program aimed to help groups increase tourism in Ontario.

The government has said it will provide the Ontario Tourism Marketing Board up to

\$40-million annually beginning April 1 to match funds on promotional campaigns with organizations such as the Chamber.

"You have to partner with (other organizations) in order to get money through the program. It won't come directly to the Chamber," said Dean.

And to be able to buy into joint marketing campaigns, the Chamber needs the additional \$60,000 in funding from the county, he said.

"The Chamber of Commerce intends to examine all offerings from the board and when appropriate will buy into these programs," said Kernohan. "We can only survive on the industry and attempt to maintain our marketshare by pooling our dollars."

With the new marketing program, the province is establishing five regional marketing boards, each with sub-committees. Kernohan has applied to sit the board for this region, while Dean has applied to serve on one of its committees.

Dean told councillors he has already begun looking into the costs of running short commercials on two television stations, The New VR and CITY TV.

The Chamber would like to buy ad time in June prior to the start of the summer season and in August to promote the fall vacations in the Highlands. Councillors didn't discuss the

Chamber's funding request at Wednesday's meeting. However, they have set a budget meeting for March 22, when the subject will likely come up.

In other marketing matters, Dean told councillors the Chamber has invested in a second toll-free 1-800 number to handle the volume of calls com-

ing into the office.

Last summer, between 70 and 90 callers per week were unable to get through to the office because the system was so backed up, he said.

The Chamber is also planning to boost circulation of its Haliburton Highlands Destination Guide to 100,000 copies

from 75,000 for next year. The magazine will be distributed to more than 300 locations across Ontario, the northern U.S. and trade consulates.

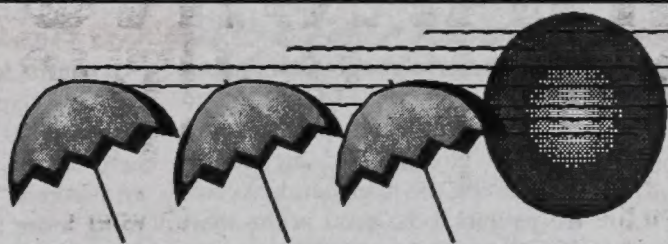
Kernohan said the Chamber will also rely more heavily on the Internet as a marketing tool and will spend \$2,000 to improve its new website.



BANKING ON A HEALTHY FUTURE:

The CIBC's Charitable Foundation recently gave a \$10,375 grant to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation. Over the next three years, the Foundation may be eligible for a further \$31,000 for "this important service to the community." Taking part in the presentation were from left, front row: HHHSF board members Jack Brezina and Don Popple, Minden CIBC manager Diane Chantler HHHSF members Dale Walker and Dave Gray and Haliburton CIBC manager Phil Meyers, with other bank staff in the back row.

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Getting what you pay for...sometimes

MOST PEOPLE HAVE NO IDEA of the demands placed on a municipal politician's life. Attending meetings once every two weeks is only one small part of the job. Before every meeting, the councillor gets a huge stack of reports for his or her perusal. Some of the documentation directly refers to items on the agenda, some is just for general background information, but all of it combined takes hours to read over if councillors are to make informed decisions.

Then there are all the committee and public meetings or sitting other boards which have municipal representation.

Above all, there are the countless phone calls. A street-light is out, a road isn't plowed, a tax bill is too high. Not only do your constituents know where you live, so they phone you at home, but they know where you work, so they happen to drop by for a little chat.

Given the downloading from the province and new responsibilities, municipal councillors must deal with far more weighty matters than they used to. Ten years ago, the biggest expenditure was a new roads truck, and the discussions would last for weeks on which truck was the best to buy and whether to get a new one or second hand. Councillors would even travel to other towns to look at used trucks for sale. Who has time for that today when they have to get a science degree to determine whether they should use Dombind on their roads and what size of trees should be cut?

Because of the nature of the job, should a local reeve be paid \$30,000 a year, turning what was once seen as a civic duty into a full time job?

Well, it depends.

This is a question all Highlanders should be asking themselves as the very nature of our local governments begins to change.

Right now, the job is so time-consuming, few people want to take it on. Many reeves are simply acclaimed, because there's only one person who wants the job. Half the time, that person is retired, and therefore finally has the time to dedicate to helping run the municipality. Otherwise, the reeve needs to be either his or her own boss, or have a fairly understanding boss.

By providing the reeve with a full-time salary, more people will be attracted to the job. It would be worth their while financially to be a politician and the personal sacrifices wouldn't have to be as onerous.

However, there is a flip side.

What about the reeve who still treats the job as a part-time one? Will the sense of "civic duty" be diminished because people are becoming politicians because of the money, not because they want to help their community? And are there enough property owners in any Highlands municipality to justify paying one person \$30,000 to oversee a maximum of 10,000 ratepayers when a member of the provincial or federal government earns less than double that to oversee an entire riding?

A wise old man in Haliburton once said "If you pay people peanuts, don't be surprised to discover you've hired a few monkeys." Yet if you dazzle them with diamonds, you're bound to get a few dishonest gold diggers instead.

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Frozen mist

by Len Pizze

letters to the editor

Organizers, volunteers make nordic races a great success

To the Editor:

The organizers for the 1999 high school cross country ski competitions held in Haliburton, February 24, 25 and 26, deserve congratulations for a job well done. Thanks also to the many teachers who spent time, effort, and dedication in training the many student competitors to be good at the sport but more importantly, to act in a way that makes a person proud of their conduct and attitude.

Now, to a "special thank you". On Wednesday, it was obvious that the parking facilities were inadequate because of the snow. Very early Thursday morning, members of the

Dysart et al road crew were hard at work pushing back the snow and sanding the parking area. Because of their extra work, all cars and buses were looked after without a hitch.

What made this support worthy of a "special thank you" was not that they turned out to help but on leaving they came and asked "if there was anything more that they could do to help". They were there to make the event a great success not because they had been told

to get up early and push a lot of snow around but because they wanted the event to be a success and a credit to Haliburton.

All cars and buses were parked without too much hassle or complaint, thanks to these three men from Dysart. The well-planned event would have been a downer if all the cars and buses could not be handled and they were.

Barney Wilson,
Haliburton

Great detective work helps deliver son's photos to parents

To the Editor:

We are writing to publicly thank Echo Editor Martha Perkins for her role in getting our son Greg's photos to us. Imagine our surprise when we got that phone call from Manitoba telling us how they had tracked us down...and from such a small clue. The photos arrived last Thursday, February 25. As events unfolded they took on an even more important role, since at that time Greg was stranded

in the Austrian Alps in avalanche country.

The various acts of human kindness that eventually got that package to Haliburton happened because people cared enough to help. Hopefully, sometime we will be able to pass on the favour to someone else in another random act of kindness.

Once again, thanks for great detective work!

Laraine and Peter Forgrave,
Haliburton

your letters

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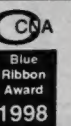


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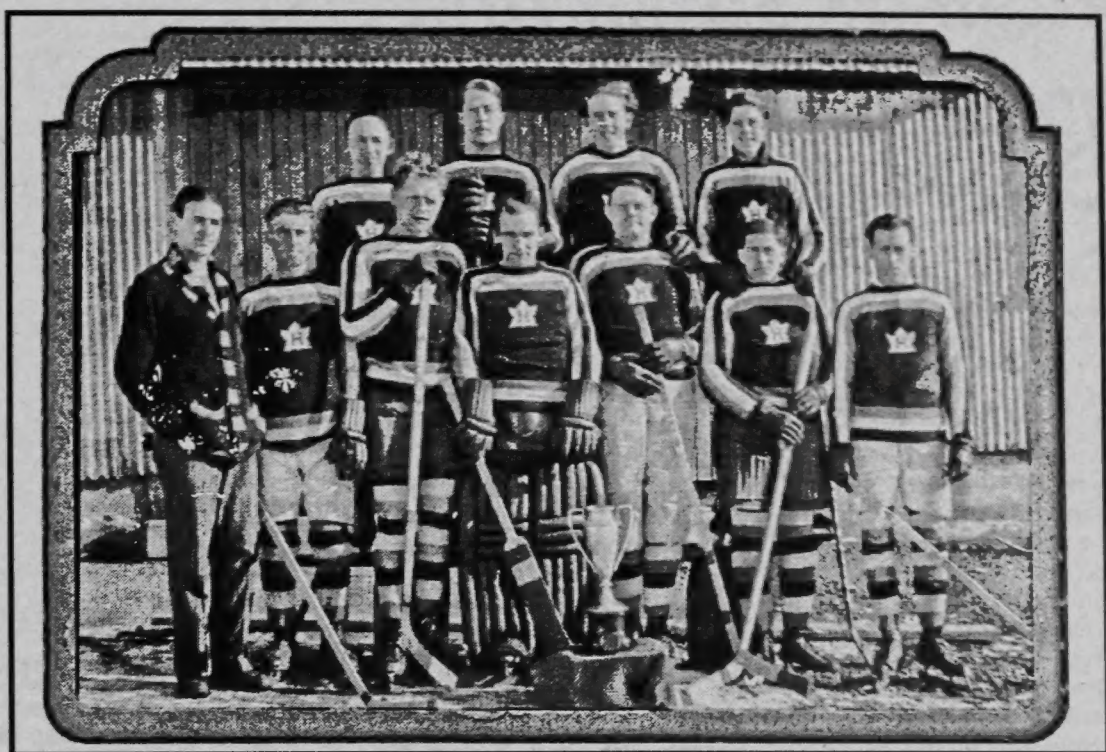
The Fur Sale

by JOHN HULBIG

Lou Porter trapped all Fall and Spring,
For wolf and fisher too,
For beaver, fox, and mink and coon,
And otter, just a few.
Beaver were caught beside their dams,
The fox along the trails,
The mink beside a brook trout creek
And otter without fail.
The wolves were snared on beaver dams,
The coons trapped by the ponds,
The fisher in a hollow log,
On porcupines, they're found.
Lou skinned and cleaned his fur so soft,
All by the candlelight,
And placed them on the stretches strong,
And hung them up just right.
The sale was on November fifth,
For all the trappers round,
'Twas held in the old sample room,
Across the street from Brown's.
My Mother combed out all the fur
And brushed it with great care,
And put it in the burlap bag,
And sewed up jagged tears.
Next morning Lou, he left for town,
His bag of fur with him,
He entered in sample room,
With smokers round looked dim.
The buyers bought all of his fur
Cash on the barrel head,
Enough to buy a new deer gun,
A spinning wheel all red.
When buying was complete,
And money was all paid,
The trappers went to Welch's store,
And down some money laid.
There was a great big shooting match,
'Twas out behind the store,
Two hundred yards down in the swamp,
If not a little more.
The men all took their turn and fired,
And when 'twas tallied up,
Lou Porter won the candy bag,
And the furry fat hound pup.

N.B. The deer gun is still in use. Burton Porter at Ignace still hunts with it. It is a 30-30 Winchester long barrel.

N.B. Sample room - The Dominion Hotel, and possibly the others had a room or a small building set aside for the use of commercial travellers who would bring in their goods by train and stage and display them; the local merchants could see it and choose the items they wished to sell.



pic of the past

This photo shows Haliburton has long been a hockey town. The Haliburton Millionaires posed for this picture in February, 1933. Members of the team are (Back, from left): Jack Cryderman, Roy Brohm, Gordon Porter and Harold Ruth. In the front

row, from left, are: coach Gordon Watt, Roy Watt, Harold Brodhagen, Jack Robertson, Clayton Hodgson, Moss Robertson and Harvey Iles. Our thanks to Ron Petrini for sharing the picture.

New laws crack down on bad drivers

Anyone who has had their license suspended for a Criminal Code conviction had better not get caught driving a vehicle on our roads. This is the message the Ontario government is making very clear with the most recent measure of the Comprehensive Road Safety Act, 1997 being implemented.

Suspended drivers who have lost their driving privileges because they were convicted of serious offences such as impaired driving, and leaving the scene of an accident, have no place on the road. In addition to have their license revoked, they will have their vehicle impounded should they choose to drive while under suspension.

Vehicle owners will be responsible for paying all towing and storage cost, which should range from \$900 to \$1,100 per vehicle. The Ministry of Transportation is in the process of setting up impoundment yards across the province.



chris
hodgson

mpp's report

The onus is now on all of us who own vehicles to ensure that if we lend our vehicle to someone else, they have a valid driver's license. In order to be able to check this information quick-

through the Ministry web site at www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/dandy/check.htm

In both cases, the vehicle owner will receive confirmation of whether or not the driver's license is valid, as well as a verification number. In order to protect an individual's privacy, the information will not include information regarding the class of license nor any information relating to conditions of the driver, such as a requirement to wear glasses to drive.

Vehicle owners will also be able to obtain a copy of their driver's abstract through any of the Ministries license issuing offices, or at Service Ontario Kiosks.

This new step is a continuation of the province's commitment to ensure that our roads are safe from unfit drivers. Last

fall we introduced higher fines for people caught driving while their license was under suspension. This is merely the next step in keeping those who shouldn't be on the road off of it.

Suspended drivers who have lost their driving privileges because they were convicted of serious offences such as impaired driving, and leaving the scene of an accident, have no place on the road.

ly and easily, we have set up access to an automated hotline at 1-900-565-6555.

Starting in May, owners will also be able to quickly check the validity of a driver's license

Skiing event raises \$6,1960 for heart disease research

To the Editor:

On Saturday, February 20, Sir Sam's Ski Area graciously hosted Ski and Snowboard for Heart '99.

Organized by the Haliburton Chapter of the Heart and Stroke Foundation, this annual event raised funds to help support over 290 research teams across Ontario that are dedicated to fighting Canada's #1 killer.

The results this year were spectacular! Participants raised

a grand total of \$6,196.00.

The Heart and Stroke Foundation would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to event coordinators, Heather Valentine and Marg Valentine, for this outstanding achievement. Sincere appreciation goes out to all local sponsors and participants.

Keri Adams,
Exercise Event Coordinator,
Peterborough Area Office

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Atom Bs strike first against Rockets

DAN MacMILLAN

Atom B Huskies

Let me give you a little history of the Roberts Austin/Hockey Haven Atom B Huskies. The bulk of these kids have been playing together for about five years. Now, given the fact that they're only 10 and 11-year-olds, you can see that they know each other pretty well. Oh, there are some new faces and others have left hockey but the majority of this team are the ones who started out six seasons ago.

The playoff format usually starts in Novice. Two years ago the Novice B Huskies were eliminated in the semi-finals by Wilberforce. Last year the Novice B Huskies defeated the Rockets for the Tri-County Championship. Now, since there were 15 teams in the league this year, the chances of meeting Wilberforce in the Tri-County Atom B Championship round would be pretty slim, right?

Wrong! The Rockets absolutely bullied their way through the round robin playoffs series against some pretty fine teams and now face Haliburton in a four-out-of-seven series for all the marbles.

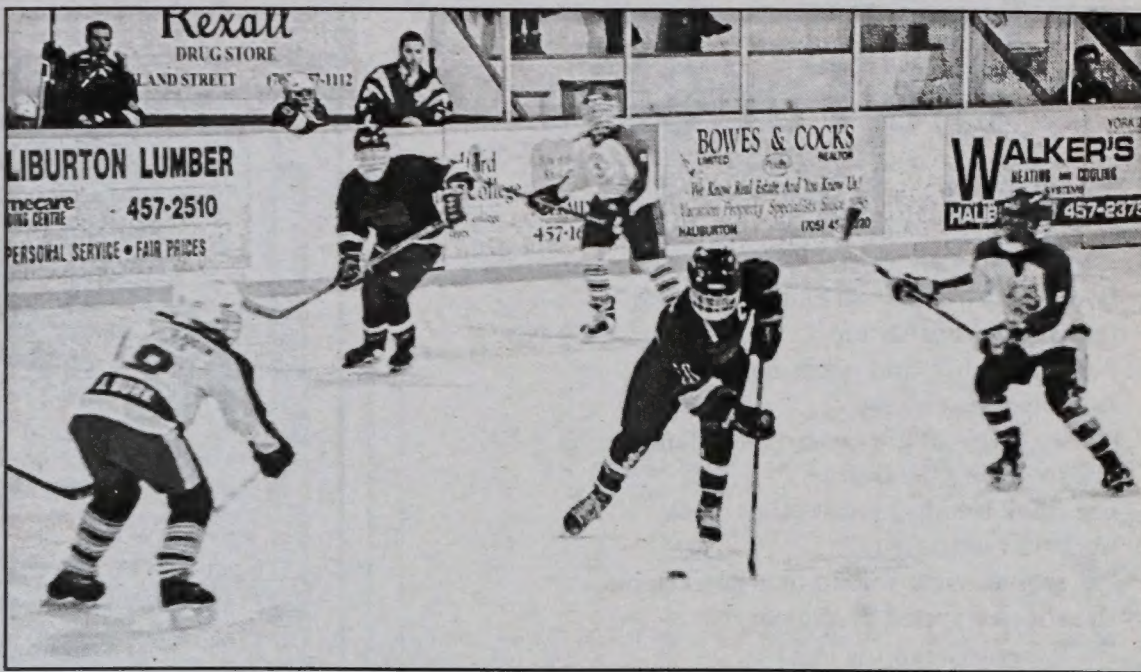
The championship series started February 28 in Haliburton.

The Huskies haven't played in about two-and-a-half weeks and appeared a little rusty in the early part of the game. Early in the first, Connor MacMillan scored on a nice point shot from Kevin Crofts and Mitch Bateman. Later in the period the Rockets tied it up.

Early in the second, Wilberforce took the lead. Midway through the final frame, Kevin took a pass from James Jowett and Connor and tied it up. Both teams then played each other closely with Adam Trueman coming up big in net a couple of times. With about two minutes left in the game, Jenny Perrott threaded a pass to Michel Leroux who split the Rockets' defence and beat the goalie to give Haliburton the lead.

The Huskies then settled into a defensive mode and denied Wilberforce any really good scoring chances to preserve the opening game 3 to 2 win. The kids looked a little out of sorts but with the championship series underway it won't be long before they have their edge back.

The next game is Saturday, March 6 at 3:30 p.m. in Wilberforce. If you enjoy watching good hockey, it sure isn't that far a trip. Come on out and help cheer the kids on.



TRYING FOR A TIE: A Wilberforce Rocket breaks into the Atom B Huskies' end during the third period Sunday, but can't tie the game to force overtime. The Huskies won the first game of the best-of-seven championship series 3-2.

Novice B Huskies are B champions

ELAINE SCHMID

Novice B Huskies

The Hockey Haven/ReMax Novice B Huskies spent Saturday in Bancroft at the Brett Loney Memorial Tournament. Rising very early to meet the challenge, and exhausted by day's end, the boys did Haliburton proud.

In the first match-up, the Huskies and Bancroft Window Warehouse were pitted against each other. The early morning

seemed stimulating to the boys as they defeated their opponents 9 - 0.

After four hours, the Huskies met the OPSEU team from Bancroft. Our boys played well even though they suffered a 5 - 2 loss.

With another four-hour wait before their next game, endurance was slowing, giving way to tiredness for everyone, but the mighty Blue and White mustered up enough strength to

defeat Jan Lumber from Bancroft for the B division championship in overtime (just like the pros).

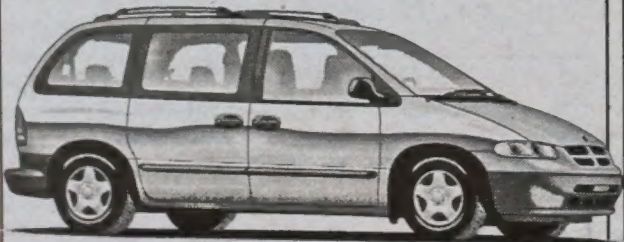
A sincere thank you to the hosts of this well organized tournament.

Sunday's game against Mariposa was cancelled due to inclement weather, but will be rescheduled. You won't want to miss the excitement, as these two great teams come together in game two of first round playoff action.

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Super skiing, super weather as Haliburton plays host to OFSSA Nordic

For the second year in a row the weather smiled on the Ontario high school Nordic ski championships, hosted by Haliburton high school at Haliburton's Glebe Park. More than 600 athletes took part in two days of racing under ideal temperatures and snow conditions. They were supported by dozens of local volunteers who acted as race marshalls and officials, organized parking, stood by to provide first aid, and ensured that competitors and coaches were fed.

The level of competition was extraordinarily high, as some of the top young Nordic skiers in the province pitted their speed and endurance against the demanding climbs and descents of the Glebe Park course.

Thursday's racing centred on individual races. With staggered starts, elapsed time determined the order of finish. In the Junior girls 5 km race, Carrie Heyes was the fastest HHSS skier, finishing



Haliburton's Stephanie Ratz, centre, awaits the start of the senior girls relay



Amy Ellis, left, prepares to start the second leg of the senior girls relay as she awaits the tage from Stephanie Ratz, second from right



The top two finishers in the senior girls relay drive for the finish line only fractions of a second apart

28th. Other local competitors included Liz Brown 65th, Erica Ainsley 108th, Lindsay Robertson 118th and Erin Fearrey 135th. Matt Hindman was 94th over the Junior boys 6 km course.

Ainsley Heyes was the top local skier in the junior girls 6 km sprint with a time good enough for 26th place. Stephanie Ratz was 30th, Kristi Bolin 56th, Jordana Bain 116th and Allison Kennedy 146th. The team finished in 6th place overall.

In the senior boys 10 km, Daniel Morgan was 126th, Ryan O'Neil 134th, Brock Ladurantaye

141st, and John Heffer 151st.

Friday was devoted to the exciting relay races. Haliburton's junior girls team of Carrie Heyes, Erica Ainsley and Liz Brown placed 18th. The Senior girls team of Steph Ratz, Amy Ellis and Ainsley Heyes were a strong 12th. And in the senior boys event, Dan Morgan Ryan O'Neil and Brock Ladurantaye were 25th.

In the overall standings combining results of both days, the senior girls were 10th, the junior girls 18th, and the senior boys 25th.

Next year the races move to Sudbury.



Ainsley Heyes is tagged by Amy Ellis to start the final leg of the senior girls relay



A competitor gets last minute coaching



SENIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL:

After finishing second in the Kawartha finals, the HHSS senior girls volleyball team advances to COSSA March 2. From left Amanda McClenaghan, Tanya Sisson, Alyna Reesor, Nicole Cooper and Meagan Sauvé. Back row: Coaches Murray Kuntz and Steve Smith. Absent are Inga Haedicke, Courtney Wilson, Kim Varty and Amy Petrow.



MIDGET GIRLS VOLLEYBALL:

In Peterborough on Wednesday, the HHSS midget girls volleyball team is hoping to do well at the COSSA championship. From left are, front row: Stacey Schell, Caitlin Russell, Cassie Hie, Jenn Carpenter and Katie Carey. Back row: Alana Woodcock, Leslie Pearsell, Aleka Lilius, Sarah Pergolas and Cheryl Ripley and coach Laura Willis. Absent are Terry Dawson and Candice Roadknight.

HHSS sends three girls' volleyball teams to COSSA championships

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

All three of the girls volleyball teams at HHSS have advanced to the Central Ontario finals this week.

For the fourth consecutive year, the junior girls will compete at the COSSA level. In regular season action, they won three tournaments out of three, and then continued to make a clean sweep when they won the Kenner/Thomas A. Stewart Invitational in Peterborough on February 20, competing against nine other teams for the title.

They'll be in Cloyne today (March 2) for COSSA after coming in second at the Kawartha finals on February 23. The team had won the round robin play but lost in the finals to Holy Cross from Peterborough.

The senior girls team will also be in Cloyne today. They finished second at the Kawartha finals in Newcastle, losing to Trinity College in the finals, two games to one. To get to the finals, however, they had beaten

Clarke, Lakefield and Campbellford.

The midget girls' COSSA competition is Wednesday (March 3) in Peterborough. Coach Laura Willis says the team fought a tough battle against Lakefield at

the Kawartha championships in Campbellford last Thursday. Excellent serving and passing enabled the girls to win one out of three games in the playoffs; the other two were close at 15-10 and 15-13.

Local Special Olympians bowl well at home tournament

The Haliburton Highlands Hustlers bowling team hosted their first invitational tournament at County Bowling Centre on February 14. Teams competing were from Haliburton, Durham and two teams each from Minden and Peterborough.

Competition was exciting with Minden team two coming out on top after the three games. Team members are Russ Snodden, Andrew Sharp, Cory Smith-MacKenzie, Dale Jarvis, Leanne Hirstwood and Lisa Burk. The team received first place medallions and will have their achievement

marked on a permanent trophy that was donated by the Minden & District Lions Club. The Minden team received further accolades when Leanne Hirstwood and Cory Smith-MacKenzie both won trophies for the highest Pins Over Average in a single game. Lunch was served by Subway from Haliburton and Minden. Assisting in various ways were County Bowling Centre, Haliburton County Community Living, ReMax Realty, Stedmans-Minden, Minden Lions and Lioness, tournament director Cindy Sedore.



JUNIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL:

Getting prepared for the COSSA competition on March 2 are members of the HHSS junior girls volleyball team, from left: front row: Kori Roberts, Shawna Curry, Nicki Sisco and Megan Paul. Back row: Coach Murray Kuntz, Abbey Pearsell, Stephanie Glecoff, Liane Dron, Caley Sisson, Kerry Schakelaar and coach Steve Smith. Absent are Stephanie Sternberg and Kelly Dawson.

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OMHA Novices beat Brighton to advance to next round

LAURIE SMITH

OMHA Novice Huskies

On Friday, February 26, the OMHA Novice Huskies played game three of the semi-finals at home, against the Brighton Braves. The series was tied at one game apiece.

The Huskies made it to the scoreboard first when Max Ambridge scored, assisted by James Roberts. Despite good plays setup by both teams, the first period was limited to a single goal.

The second period remained scoreless, thanks to great defensive moves by Curtis Barker and Adam DeCarlo who put the squeeze on any Brighton attempts to get near the Husky net.

Early in the third period, the Huskies padded their lead when Devin Hunter scored, unassisted, from a face-off in Brighton's end. Nearing the end of this period, Devin added a shorthanded goal with a pass from Kenton Winn.

Ian Sachs did a dynamite job goaltending for Haliburton to earn a shutout. Haliburton won, 3 - 0.

Up one game, the Huskies travelled to Brighton on Sunday for game four. The Huskies had the odds against them. Before anyone knew it, the Huskies were

trailing by three goals in the first period. We feared this game could be a blowout. Before the period ended, Haliburton managed a much needed goal scored by Dallyn Smith with great passing from Devin Hunter and Tyler Watson.

The Huskies gained control early in the second period when Kenton Winn notched another point for Haliburton, assisted by Devin. Tyler earned a hat trick in this period alone with assists from James Roberts, Chase Thurston, Dallyn, and Kenton.

The Huskies were still on fire in the third period. Devin scored the period's first marker, unassisted. Dallyn earned his second of the game on Devin's bumper shot. During the confusion created from getting the timekeeper's attention, Brighton sneaked another counter past the Huskies. But, Haliburton didn't back down and took another two goals. James scored on Devin's rebound, assisted by Mitch Vasey and Devin topshelved his second of the game, with a setup by Ryan Scheffee and Tyler.

Kyle Evans and Ian Sachs did a super job sharing the netminding duties.

Haliburton now advances to the championship round after eliminating Brighton. Final score: 9 - 4. Yes, it was a blowout!

Husky Mites nearly keep pace with older Minden Minor Tykes

MICHELLE LeROUX

Husky Mites

Saturday, February 28 saw the Haliburton Mites meet up with the Minden Minor Tykes. This game was the first of two Minor Tyke games the Haliburton team is to face.

The Mites did a great job keeping up with the Minden team but their lack of knowledge about offsides sure took its toll.

The first period was scoreless until the last 25 seconds when Minden's Zachary Harrison put one in all on his own.

The second period opened with Haliburton showing its speed and

puck handling skills. First, Mark Vasey took a pass from Paxton Leroux and surprised the Minden goalie with a wrist shot, then Paxton took a pass from Mark and Ian Bottum to put Haliburton ahead 2 - 1. The lead didn't last long as Minden's Brett Hicks scored as well.

The third period saw lots of skating and scoring. Haliburton put two more past the Minden goalie, both scored by Leroux, one assisted by Ben Palmer. It wasn't enough though as Minden responded with three of their own.

The final score was Minden 5, Haliburton 4.

The Mites play Woodville Tuesday evening at 7 p.m.

POLICE SERVICES BOARD

The Township of Galway - Cavendish and Harvey will soon sign a contract with the Ontario Provincial Police, for the provision of policing services.

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Any resident interested in submitting an application for the Community Member on this Board must forward a SEALED detailed written application outlining your qualifications to the undersigned by 4:30pm on Tuesday March 23, 1999.

Candidates for this position should have an understanding of policing issues, experience in policy making, some volunteer involvement in community organizations, and knowledge of Township of Galway - Cavendish and Harvey.

All applicants should be aware that an interview may be required and that a police security clearance will be done as a condition of their appointment to the Board.

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GOLD MEDAL FINISH:

Lou Fenninger, who runs a race training program at Sir Sam's Ski Area, carves down the hill at Whistler, B.C. en route to a gold medal finish in a Masters slalom race. Last month Fenninger won the Masters' provincial title.



Familiar face at Sir Sam's wins provincial ski racing title

PETER DOWNS

Staff Reporter

A fixture on the hills at Sir Sam's Ski Area has become just as familiar a face on the podium this winter winning important ski races.

Lou Fenninger has won so many Masters Class slalom races this winter he'd need a neck brace to wear all his gold medals at the same time.

Most recently, the 52-year-old won gold in slalom and giant slalom events at Blue Mountain on Feb. 13-14 to become the Masters' champion for the province.

The weekend before that he blazed to another gold-medal finish on a grueling course in Whistler, BC.

Fenninger has won nine gold medals in 12 Masters racing events this winter. He took silver and bronze medals in the other three races.

Fenninger and his wife, Marianne, live in Sharon, but they spend most weekends of the winter at their chalet at Sir Sam's so they can train on the hill.

"It was the Sir Sam's Challenge race that fired him up to go into racing 10 years ago," said Mrs. Fenninger, who also races and won the women's slalom Saturday in the Sir Sam's Challenge.

Many regular skiers at Sir Sam's know the Fenningers because of the race training program they run at the hill.

On March 13-14, Mr. Fenninger races in the Quebec Masters Finals and then competes in the Canadian Masters competition on March 25-26 at Sun Peaks, BC.

Atom Huskies' successful season ends

NORM BOTTUM

Atom Huskies

After a very successful season, the Atom Huskies bid to challenge for the provincial championship has come

to an end.

The Huskies, down two games to none in a best of five series, played game 3 in Oro on Feb. 25.

The Huskies looked strong in the first period with Jono Sharpley opening the scoring. Unfortunately, one period and one goal was all the Huskies could come up with. The Oro Thunder, with a larger roster and deeper bench were able to out-play our boys through the last two periods. Tenacious forechecking by Oro resulted in several Husky errors and several Oro goals.

The Huskies worked hard the whole game and hustled to the final buzzer. However, on this night they were dominated by a better team. Final score Oro 8 and Haliburton 1. Oro will now advance to the provincial semi-finals.

A big congratulations go to our Huskies who provided us with a lot of excitement and entertainment this season. The Huskies were champions of their own Atom tournament as well as champions of the prestigious Peterborough Lift Lock tournament. They also were finalists in a tournament in Sundridge. In league play the Huskies were undefeated.

Best wishes go to Jesse Johnson, Chris Johnston, Tim Pettit, Justin Abbs, Jono Sharpley, Josh Fick and Aaron Donaldson who will move up to play Pee Wee next season. We would also like to wish Adam Sisson, Scott Lewis, Matt Tripp and Ryan Bottum the best of luck next year when they return to Atom and take another run at an Atom championship. A big thank you from the parents and players to our coaches Glen Sharpley, Rob Abbs and Lee Donaldson.

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Lisa Box-Warburton

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 Rhonda, Barry & family
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 Henry David Thoreau

GET YOUR RED HAWKS HERE:

At the HHSS store, retailing students Jamie Doan and Brad Pauley try to entice students Brad Fenney and Dan Craig into buying one of the new Red Hawk jerseys. The school recently replaced its Redmen logo with that of the hawk.



Political correctness catches up to HHSS

■ *High school changes name of sports team to Red Hawks from Redmen*

JAMIE READ

HHSS Co-op Student

In the new age of political correctness, even tradition is no longer correct and we are forced to move on. Even Haliburton's high school Redmen had to change with the times.

The "Redmen" name had been an ongoing concern in the community for ten years. Many felt it was degrading to the Native

Indians because it was slang for the color of their skin, and many of the female teachers and athletes felt that the "Redmen" failed to represent the "Redwomen".

"As we grew into the 90s, there was a feeling from the females that the Redmen didn't represent the women," says Gary Brohman, principal of HHSS.

So around this time last year, Mr. Brohman and Kit Pizzey, H.H.S.S. the head of the phys.ed department, began discussions about changing the "Redmen" name. The two realized that the best way to decide on a new name for the sports teams was to get as much feedback from the students as possible, so they chose a student from each class in every grade to conduct a survey on what the students felt best.

This survey resulted in four new names.

The "Red Hawks" name was chosen for several reasons. First, no other school on the Trillium Lakelands School Board had used a hawk to represent their sports teams. It represents strength and courage, a quality which our sports teams have possessed for many years. Though they had to be careful, they kept the "Red" from "Redmen" to continue with the tradition and remember all the success the school had as the "Redmen".

A picture of a hawk was scanned from the internet where art students Reagan Brown and Meghan Sauvé designed a picture of it and added simpler detail, then had graphic designer Jamie Woodman from the Haliburton Echo finalize it.

Though the "Redmen" name had been with the high school for many decades and is a large piece of tradition, the younger students are already adjusting to the new identification, but the older students and some of the teacher are having a hard time remembering they are no longer the "Redmen".

Even though a name will not affect the the performance and the success of the sporting teams, many feel that the school is being too liberal and has now lost a sense of its identity that went along with the famous Redmen. To many students, this change is a sign of liberation and equality, for others it is a sign of weakness.

As principal Brohman says, "We had to handle this sensitively. Political correctness is the key to move ahead, it shows that nothing is wrong, but everyone has to be on the same wave length. We have to move on and be proactive. I spent 25 years as a Redman. I'll love and cheer the Red Hawks but in my heart, they'll always be Redmen."

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MEET TO SKATE:

Three skaters from the Haliburton Figure Skating Club competed at Minden "Meet to Skate" on February 6. Terri Lynn Lumley earned a 4th place finish in Senior Bronze 'A' Ladies Elements and 6th in Juvenile Ladies Free Skate. Julie Moore got the gold, coming first in her Preliminary 'A' Ladies Elements flight and earned a 5th place with her Pre-Preliminary 'A' Ladies Free Skate. Gillian Ottley came home with a silver medal for her Pre-Preliminary 'A' Ladies Free Skate and placed 4th in Preliminary 'A' Ladies Elements.

Haliburton skaters reach podium at meet

DONNA GAGNON

Haliburton Figure Skating

During the weekend of February 20, three skaters from the Haliburton Figure Skating Club competed at the EOSIC (Eastern Ontario Sectional Interclub) competition in Bowmanville.

Terri-Lynn Lumley skated for the first time in this competition.

She competed in the Juvenile Ladies event and placed eighth. She skated very well for her first time.

Cassandra Nimigon also skated for the first time at this competition in the Junior Silver Ladies event and placed second, qualifying her to go on to the finals after a very gratifying skate. This was a very exciting time for Cassandra and in the



PROUD AMBASSADORS:

Tristan Pawluch, a much smaller Terri-Lyn Lumley and Cassandra Nimigon represented the Haliburton Figure Skating Club very well at the recent Eastern Ontario Sectional Interclub competition in Bowmanville. Tristan placed first, earning a berth at the all-Ontario championships in Stirling on March 21.

finals she placed twelfth.

Tristan Pawluch competed in the Gold Category and placed first, receiving a gold medal for his efforts. This placing means that he will go on to the All-Ontario championships to be held in Stirling, on Sunday,

March 21.

This will be his fourth time competing at the All-Ontario championships. The club wishes Tristan much luck.

All three skaters have been putting in many hours of practice in preparation for this event

with the help of their coach, Jane Symons.

Congratulations to Terri-Lynn, Cassandra and Tristan who represented the Haliburton Figure Skating Club with pride as they skated their very best in Bowmanville.

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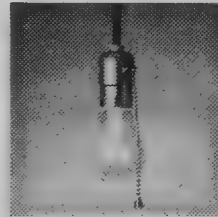
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Snowboarder says helmet saved his life in accident

JAMIE READ

HHSS Co-op Student

High school student and avid snowboarder Greg Luck was definitely pushing his luck to the limits this winter.

On January 16, while snowboarding at Sir Sams Ski Area, Greg and some of his friends were doing "tricks" on the Heart Breaker run.

When Greg's turn came, he decided to do a "corkscrew" jump, which is halfway between a flip and a spin and went "a little too fast, lost my balance and had way too much air."

At that moment in the air, Greg knew he was going to land badly and hoped that luck would be on his side. Within seconds, he landed with sudden impact on his head, neck, and shoulders, resulting in a fractured cervical fifth vertebrae, (the fifth vertebrae down from the skull), which herniated the disc directly underneath it.

In simple terms, Greg says, "my disc gave my spinal cord a little kiss."

After being helped by the Ski Patrol and paramedics, Greg was transported to the Haliburton Hospital where he was x-rayed. The results were far too serious to be dealt with at such a small hospital and Greg was driven by ambulance to St. Michael's in Toronto to see a neurosurgeon.

Greg had to spend eight hours

strapped to a wooden stretcher unable to move. "That was the most uncomfortable part of the whole ordeal."

Ironically though, luck was on his side. Greg knows he is lucky to be alive, all because he was wearing his helmet at the time of the accident. "If I wasn't wearing my helmet, I would probably be dead. Fortunately, I always wear my helmet."

Snowboarding is a rapidly growing sport which is very popular among pre-teens and teenagers. But like most sports, there is a high risk of injury, maybe higher than most. With the increase in snowboarding design and technology, boards can reach speeds of up to 100 km/hr, which gives the boarder more air and speed in their jumps, making the landing much more risky.

The U.S Consumer Product Safety Commission statistics reveal a 42% increase in snowboarding injuries over the past couple of years throughout North America. Over half of injured, (a staggering 2,700), were all between the ages of 15 and 24. Males accounted for about 1,900 of these injuries. Although ankle, foot, leg, and wrist injuries are most common, head and neck injuries are on the rise due to the phenomenal speeds and the complicated tricks.

With the growing popularity among teenagers, the younger kids are now getting involved in

this fun sport. But Greg says, "We realize that the younger, less experienced snowboarders look up to us at the ski hill and want to do all the tricks that we do. I definitely recommend that more younger kids get into snowboarding now because it's such a fun sport, but if they are going to watch us and try to do what we are doing on the hills, they have to wear a helmet all the time. All the pros are wearing one. You're just being careless and irresponsible of you choose not to wear one. Mine saved my life."

Because helmets have to be an integral piece of equipment while snowboarding, helmets are now made of a polycarbonate outer shell which absorbs the impact of the fall and will repel any punctures that could happen on impact. The soft polystyrene inner lining is designed to keep your head warm and help absorb the impact and protect your skull.

Despite these rather discouraging facts, snowboarding is a fun sport which is much loved by the masses, but like all sports, you have to be safe and most importantly, smart. Even though you are in control of your body, you can't be in control of the conditions in which you participate in and in Greg's case, gravity.

Because of gravity, Greg is now forced to wear a "halo", which is a cast for your tender skull to keep you from moving



SCARY CRASH:

Haliburton high school student Greg Luck has to wear a "halo" to help heal his broken neck, but says his snowboarding injury could've been far worse had he not been wearing a helmet.

your neck. It's drilled into his skull at his forehead and above each ear. "It was really awkward at first, but now it makes me feel safe and protected because I know that it's helping me. I've already worn it for a month, so I will probably have it off in about two more months."

It's hard not to miss him in the hallways!

Whether it was luck or not, the accident has changed Greg, not only physically, but the way he makes his decisions and has put his life on an abrupt hold.

"I always led a fairly active lifestyle. I can't work at my part time job at all and I was teach-

ing snowboarding at Sir Sam's, but now that's impossible."

Despite this unfortunate twist of luck, Greg remains in high spirits and is still as funny as ever.

"I'll always be more conscious and aware of the risks that come along with this sport or any other sport for that matter. I always have and will continue, even after this, to push myself to the limit, but I will be much more safe about it in the future. I just can't wait to get back on the hills next winter," says a confident Greg.

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Health board bids for homemaking service

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

The following are brief reports of items discussed at Thursday night's Haliburton Highlands Health Services board meeting in Minden.

If its bid is successful, the HHHS will become the new provider of homemaking services in the county.

As well as having a fairly low bid compared to other agencies, such as the Red Cross, with higher overheads, the HHHS bid will also offer to pay homemakers for their mileage.

At present, the Red Cross homemakers are not paid for their cost of driving from one client to another. The HHHS's mileage rate would be 22 cents a kilometre.

The lack of compensation for mileage "has become a real point of contention," said executive director Foster Loucks.

"I think we have a pretty good chance of getting this and I hope we do."

HHHS says it could run the program at a cost of slightly more than \$1-million a year. Its insurance provider says it already has sufficient coverage for the additional staff members.

"It would be a great thing," agreed board member Keith Tallman.

"It's a compliment to those who pulled the bid together fairly quickly; it shows the quality of staff we have," said Paul Heffer, thanking staff members Beth Archibald and Cathy Outram.

The access centre will be announcing the successful bid soon.

Surplus

Thanks to an earlier \$100,000 infusion from the Ministry of Health, the HHHS has a year-to-date surplus of \$26,000 and will likely end the fiscal year with a \$20,000 deficit, which is much smaller than last year's \$57,000 deficit. The year before, the deficit was \$120,000.

Meanwhile, the board is still waiting to hear how the federal government's announcement of increased healthcare funding will trickle down. How much will the province allocate to hospitals, how much to home care services?

The HHHS says that using past experiences, it's hoped they can garner an additional \$300,000 a year.

"It would go a long way towards putting us on a better financial footing," said board chairman Hugh Nichol.

Operating plan

Until they find out how much funding they'll be receiving in light of the federal budget announcement, members of the Joint Executive Committee have decided to postpone drafting their operating plans.

HEATH SERVICES BOARD BRIEFS

All hospitals in the regional coalition are facing deficits, with a combined total of \$10.7-million, or seven percent of revenue.

The Peterborough regional health centre (the amalgamation of Peterborough Civic and St. Joseph's) has the highest deficit, \$6.8-million. Ross Memorial

Hospital in Lindsay has a deficit of \$2.1-million.

The local board is worried about any decisions these larger hospitals may have to make if there is not sufficient funding to cover the deficits. Many Highlanders are referred to the hospitals in Peterborough and Lindsay and a reduction in ser-

vice will adversely affect them.

"Peterborough's deficit is the one that concerns me the most," said Nichol. "The tasks facing them are pretty daunting."

The Ministry of Health has delayed the deadline for operating plans until it's decided how the federal money will flow through the system. However,

Nichol cautioned that if the deadline is postponed too long, and hospitals discover they'll have to lay off staff, there could be few savings in this fiscal year since staff must be given six months' notice.

He added that the discussion about the operating plans, and the decision to speak with one voice, were examples of the potential benefits of the joint executive committee.



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Spectra Environmental may
be small, but it thinks big

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

RESIDENTS OF Lions Head used to have to drive 30 kilometres to buy gas because with a population of 1,000, this Bruce peninsula community couldn't generate enough business to justify having its own gas station.

The CIBC office tower in Toronto had a fuel tank in its basement to power its generator should the hydro go off, but the executives on the top floor were worried about the potential for fuel leaks.

PineStone Resort in Haliburton would watch hundreds of snowmobiles zoom by on a winter's day, not knowing how it could persuade them to stop by for lunch.

Today, thanks in part to a company based in Haliburton, Lions Head residents can buy gas at their general store, the CIBC executives no longer have to worry about the potential disaster lurking in their basement

and snowmobilers who drop by PineStone to buy gas often pop inside to warm up with something hot to eat.

Spectra Environmental Ltd. may be small, but it thinks big. Its main product, the Envirodike, is forging a significant role for itself in the ever-changing fuel industry.

And it's doing most of it from its three-person office in Village Court Plaza in Haliburton.

"It's the best kept secret in Haliburton," smiles founder and president Steve Wilcox. "Even most of my clients don't know we're here - we use a Stouffville address and phone number and get the calls forwarded."

Envirodike is one of those products that when in widespread use, seems like it always should have been there. It's such a simple idea that makes so much sense, it's easy to forget it first had to be invented.

Yet rather than sitting down one day and deciding "I should build a fuel containment system," Wilcox's development of



WHERE THERE'S A WILL...

Steve Wilcox invented the "spill containment system" as a simple way of preventing fuel from polluting the environment.

the idea took a long and circuitous route.

"It started by accident," says Wilcox, who perhaps is better known as the pilot who owned Spectra Aviation, which used to offer scenic flights and trips to remote fishing camps from its

base on Grass Lake.

"Aviation is the most over-regulated industry in the world," he says, so he knew all about the rules which governed fuel use and storage for planes. Through his job, he was also aware that environmental rules were about to be tightened up for the half-million other people, such as farmers and northern, loggers who relied on above-ground fuel storage tanks. If those tanks leaked, the owners were about to face very severe penalties.

However, given the sheer number of tanks, the government was not in the position of being able to afford to enforce the new regulations. Rather, the new rules would kick in only after the problem had occurred; there wasn't enough manpower to go looking for the problem. That meant a lot of people were prepared to ignore the new rules.

"Solutions need to be found in the real world," Wilcox says, and unless the solution was relatively inexpensive and easy to install, not many fuel tank owners were likely to put much effort into complying with the new rules. For instance, until Wilcox got started on the idea

OFSC takes leadership role with Envirodike program

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

The environment should be the big winner in a partnership which links a Haliburton company with snowmobile clubs across the province.

The Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs has unanimously agreed to split the costs of purchasing environmentally-friendly "spill containment systems" with its member clubs.

Envirodikes, made by Spectra Environmental Ltd. of Haliburton, prevent leakage from above-ground fuel storage tanks. Not only does the "big bathtub" protect the environment by containing any fuel tank leaks, but it also helps clubs save the huge costs they would have incurred had the fuel seeped into the ground.

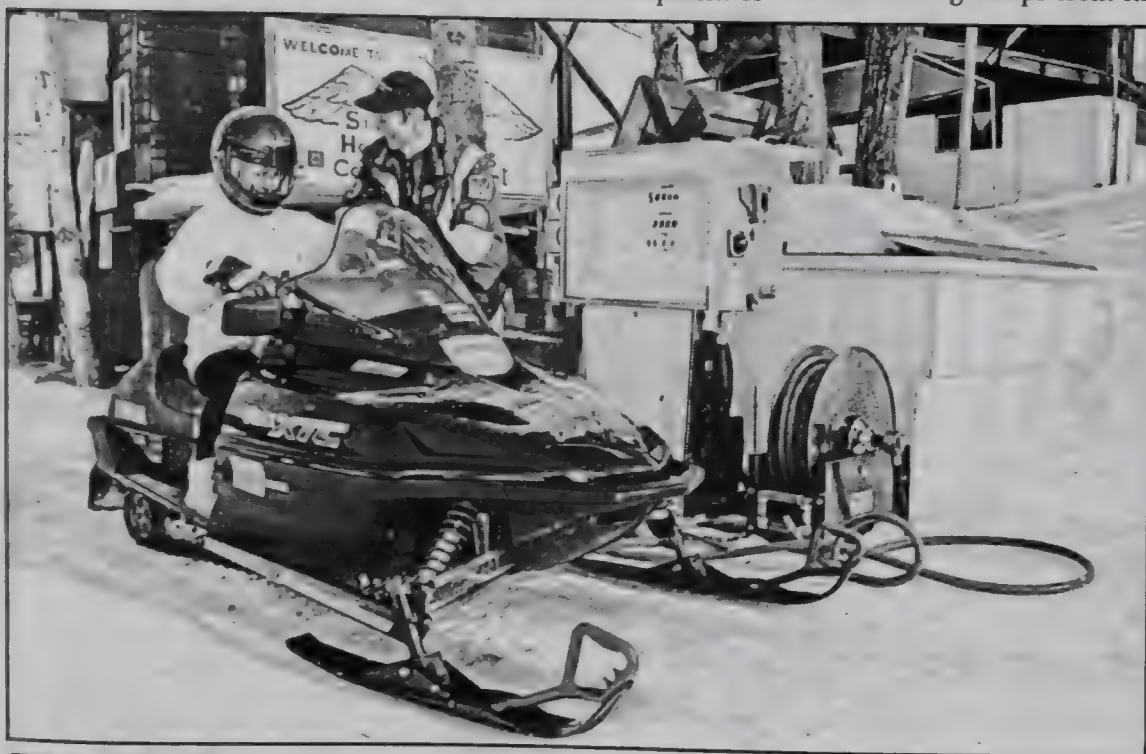
Most snowmobile clubs have above-ground fuel tanks because it's often impossible to drive their groomers to the nearest gas station to fill up during a run. Instead, they fill the groomers from the tanks, which are stored where the groomers are stored. Those tanks are built of steel and if they're old, they're bound to leak, which makes the clubs liable for any environmental damage that's caused.

"OFSC just took leaps ahead of other industries and they should be proud of it," says Steve Wilcox, president of Spectra Environmental, a company he started and runs from his office in Village Court Plaza, Haliburton.

Envirodikes might not prevent the leaks, but they do prevent the leaked fuel from contaminating the environment before the problem is fixed. They are, in essence, big steel bathtubs into which the fuel tank is placed. (Please see accompanying story.)

Recognizing it had a costly problem on its hands, the OFSC has been working with Spectra to find the incentive clubs would need to address the hazard.

At present, \$1 of every trail licence goes to the OFSC's environment fund. Clubs can then apply to receive some of this money for such things as



FILL 'ER UP:

Silver Eagle Resort was one of the first to buy an Envirodike several years ago, enabling it to attract snowmobilers by allowing them to fill up on gas on site.

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See **Envirodike** page 23

Police arrest suspect on break-and-enter charges

On February 15, a 20-year-old Glamorgan man was arrested on two counts of break and enter, and two counts of failing to appear.

The Central Region Street Crime Unit arrested him, with the assistance of the Minden/Coboconk OPP. The charges were laid in relation to a break and enter to a hunt camp in Snowdon Twp. on June 3, 1998.

On February 22, Minden/Coboconk detachment investigated a domestic complaint in the Village of Haliburton. Further to the investigation involving a dispute over furniture, a 31-year-old Haliburton man was arrested on an outstanding warrant. He was wanted by Kincardine OPP for charges of uttering death

threats, and failing to appear for court.

Kincardine OPP picked him up from Minden and transported him back to their area for a bail hearing.

Arrest of impaired driver

On February 19, police made a vehicle stop on Blairhampton Road in Haliburton County after noting evidence of dangerous driving. Further to the vehicle stop, a 35-year-old Snowdon Twp. man was charged with impaired driving, refusing to provide breath sample and dangerous driving. He will appear in Minden court at a later date.

Break, enter and theft

On February 22, police investi-

MINDEN OPP BRIEFS

gated a break and enter to a residence in Snowdon Twp. Footprints in the snow indicated that the suspect had walked to the residence from County Rd. 121, between County Rd. 1 and Howland Junction Rd. Stolen from the residence were a VCR and a pair of binoculars.

On February 22, police investigated a break and enter to a cottage on Little Kennis Rd. Constuction workers at a neighbour's cottage noticed that the door was damaged. The owner advised that he had not been at the cottage since January 1999. It is unknown at this time what is missing from the cottage.

On February 22, police investi-

gated a theft of a snowmobile on Hartley Rd. in Eldon Twp.

The owner advised that the 1994 V-Max 600, which was on the front lawn, had been stolen sometime overnight.

On February 23, police investigated a break and enter at the liquor store in Wilberforce. At approximately 11:15 p.m., a nearby resident noticed several persons get out of a vehicle in the liquor store parking lot.

Further investigation revealed that the location had been broken into. However, it is unknown at this time what, if any, items have been stolen.

The incident is currently under investigation.

Recovered stolen vehicle

On February 21, Minden/Coboconk OPP recovered a stolen 1989 GMC Tracker from a lot in The Northern Heights Resort, on Monck Rd. in Somerville Twp. The vehicle had been stolen sometime between 9 p.m., February 19, and 7 a.m., February 20, from the Government Dock Rd., in Laxton Twp. there are no suspects at this time.

On February 21, the OPP investigated a theft of a 13-foot Harbor Craft boat from a cottage on Drag Lake. The owner advised that the boat had been stolen from under his cottage, sometime since Thanksgiving weekend.

On February 21, police investigated a break and enter to a fish hut on Mountain Lake in Minden Twp. The owner advised that at approximately 12:05 a.m. he heard snowmobiles near his fish hut. He then went out and found that the hut had been broken into, and the snowmobiles had left. Stolen from the hut were various pieces of equipment, and a heater.

On February 21, police investigated a break and enter at a cottage on Ross Rd., Dysart Twp. The owner advised that the incident had occurred sometime over the past couple of weeks. Stolen from the cottage were a stereo and CDs.

On February 20, police investigated a break and enter at the Post Office in the Village of Kinmount. It is known at this time that once inside the building the suspect(s) made a hole in the side of the safe. On February 22, an employee of the Post Office advised that the security company was to attend and open the safe. Until then it is unknown as to what had been taken.

On February 20, police investigated a break and enter to a cottage garage, on Watts Trail, Dysart Twp. The owner advised that the incident had occurred sometime since February 9. Stolen from this garage were power tools, radio and a boat motor.

On February 19, police investigated a theft of a snowmobile from a property on Little Kennis Lake Dr. The owner advised that the 1997 Formula 3 Ski-doo had been stolen sometime since January 31, 1999.

On February 19, police investigated a break and enter at the ReMax Realty, in the Village of Haliburton. Stolen from the business were three computers as well as various other items.

On February 19, police investigated a break and enter at the Dawson Gray Accounting firm, in the Village of Haliburton. Stolen from the business were two computers, a laser printer and computer equipment.

At approximately 3:30 a.m. a local resident noticed three males walking westbound on York St.

It is believed that this incident is related to the break and enter at ReMax Realty.

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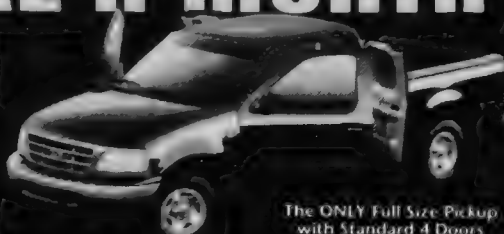
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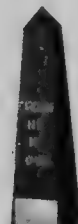
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TRAILBLAZERS:

The Haliburton County Snowmobile Club is one of the first to take advantage of the OFSC's offer to pay for half of the cost of installing Envirodikes at each of the six places where its groomers' fuel tanks are kept. Last week, Steve Wilcox, centre, delivered one to Silver Eagle Resort, where owners Larry Tupling and Marj Kennedy keep and operate one of the groomers.

Envirodike investment should help clubs save on clean-up costs

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diverting a trail around an environmentally-sensitive area – or cleaning up from a fuel spill.

At its annual general meeting, the OFSC voted unanimously to take money from that fund to pay for up to half, or \$500, of the purchase of an Envirodike. The Haliburton County Snowmobile Club was one of the first to take advantage of the program.

"The HCSA is always concerned with environmental issues and is pleased to be participating," says HCSA president Steve Berry. "We are also pleased that a local company will benefit from the funding system."

"It's very positive all the way around," says the HCSA's Marj

Kennedy, who also owns an Envirodike at her Eagle Lake resort, Silver Eagle. "It's a very important program and a positive step for the industry."

There are an estimated 400 fuel tanks owned by Ontario snowmobiling clubs, containing 100,000 litres of fuel. While the initiative may cost the OFSC a total of \$150,000, it's a short-term cost for a long-term benefit. It will save money by not having to pay for the more costly, and more regular, fuel spills.

"We are doing everything possible to heighten public awareness that as outdoor enthusiasts, snowmobilers are doing their part to protect our environment," says OFSC environment chairman Eldon Somerville.

Environment is protected as fuel tank owners find inexpensive way to prevent leaks

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for his unit, the rules stated that people had to pour a concrete pad on which to place their tank, and then erect a cement block wall five feet from the tank. Not only did this require a lot of space, but it also disregarded the realities of a Canadian winter: snow would fall into the concrete containment area and in the constant thaws and re-freezing, the concrete cracked and leaked.

Wilcox began working with the National Research Council of Canada on his "bathtub" unit. The existing tanks might leak, but the leak would be contained by the Envirodike, preventing the fuel from seeping into the ground.

Sound easy? "It was a long process – everything in manufacturing is regulated and there weren't any standards for these. It's just hard work. It was like an ant pushing a rock up a hill."

Once a design was estab-

lished, Wilcox's next task was to work with the newly-elected Tory government in Ontario to allow more people to buy his product.

At the time, the only commercial establishments allowed to sell fuel from above ground tanks were marinas because there were too many concerns about leakage. If Wilcox and others in the industry could help guarantee there would be no leaks, then the Ministry of Environment was prepared to open up the rules.

"The people who made the standards were listening to the ones paying the bill," says Wilcox, noting that it's now a separate agency of the Ministry that regulates the tanks on a fee-for-service funding basis. "If you make it easy (to protect the environment), people will do it and it got really easy when the new government came in because that was its mandate."

As a result, small operators such as the Lions Head store

owner can now offer gas from a tank that's protected by an Envirodike and resorts such as Silver Eagle and PineStone can become a destination for snowmobiles because they can offer gas.

Yet at the same time the government opened up the rules about who could offer fuel, it also made the penalties for improper storage and leaks much stiffer. "The government's said 'we've made it easier for everyone to do it so you'd better do it.'"

"The rules are still there but they made it more advantageous for businesses to comply because they made it easier. People are being encouraged (to prevent fuel leaks) instead of being forced to do it. The old approach was 'if you don't get caught, don't worry about it.'"

What Wilcox especially likes about the new system is that the environment is better protected at no cost to taxpayers. Using the partnership with the Ontario

Federation of Snowmobile Clubs as an example (see accompanying story), Wilcox notes "this is industry funding the whole thing 100%. No one's saying to the government, 'give me money so I can do it.'"

At first, the Envirodikes were made by Bevro Welding in Haliburton, but after it ran into financial difficulties, Wilcox found a factory in Stouffville which could make them. So when people phone the Stouffville number on all the promotional brochures, there is indeed a place in Stouffville associated with the product. It's just that the people answering the phone – Wilcox, Darryl Winder and Faye Paul – are sitting in an office in Haliburton.

"The three of us do a ton of business from this little office," says Wilcox, who at the same time, says customers are somehow reassured by seeing the Stouffville address on the brochures. Those customers may be tempted to discount a

product which has a head office in a town with the only three-coloured traffic light in an 80-kilometre radius.

It's Haliburton's rural nature which made Wilcox want to keep it as his base. He and his wife Mary had the choice of living in the city with their children and joining the Friday evening commute to a cottage in Haliburton, or enjoying the Highlands' beauty every day. No matter where they live, Wilcox has to be on the road – or in the air – for a day or two a week, and it's better to be able to come home to Haliburton. As he admits, "I just don't like the city."

He also acknowledges that being a pilot who owns his own plane also has its advantages when deciding where to live. "The airplane makes the world smaller. It lets me operate as if my customers are local. There are trade-offs and challenges, but it works well for us."

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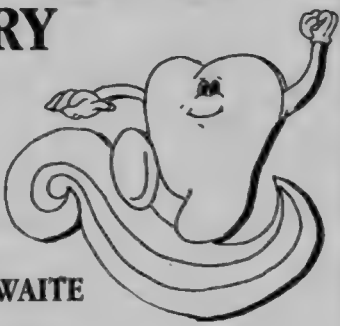
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Clothing collection will prolong life of dumps: County

PETER DOWNS

Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at Wednesday's meeting of county council.

A drive to collect old clothes and other textiles this summer will extend the life of municipal landfills and help those in need at the same time.

Articles gathered in the collection will go to local clothing depots and to Salvation Army locations nearby and overseas.

Councillors agreed to hire a Peterborough-based non-profit organization with an interest in cleaning up the environment to organize the textile drive in August.

Peterborough Green-Up has run several "very successful" drives for the City of Peterborough and Peterborough County, diverting 1.5 million pounds of tex-

tiles from their dumps, said the organization's Steve Johnson.

The organization will run the drive in Haliburton County for two to three weeks, placing collection "tents" at a number of agreed upon locations.

Councillors didn't finalize collection sites, but suggested there could be one in each municipality.

Peterborough Green-Up's Silvia Meidinger told councillors the organization has no intention of competing with local depots, such as the 4Cs and Minden Clothing Depot. The organization could give a percentage of the clothing and other articles collected to the depots, if they're interested.

The rest of the material would go to the Salvation Army, which distributes it here and in needy countries overseas.

The cost of hiring the organization to organize the drive is \$2,000, to be split by the municipalities which participate.

Miedinger said the organization would also expect municipalities to help promote the drive by including information about it along with summer tax bills.

Road spending

The cost of maintaining the county's road network has more than doubled in the past two years, reflecting the increased responsibility the county has taken over from the province.

The roads committee is recommending that the county spend more than \$2.3 million this year on road work, said its chairman Jim McMahon.

That's up from about \$2.2-million last year and just more than \$1-million in 1997, before the county assumed many kilometres of highway from the province.

About half of the proposed road work this year — \$1.3-mil-

lion — is set for Highways 121, 503 and 648. The remainder is proposed for County Roads 2, 4, 9, 14 and 19.

Contract ratified

Councillors agreed to a new contract with the county's unionized roads department workers.

The contract will pay the workers an increase of about two per cent annually for the next three years.

Social services numbers remain low

The number of people receiving social service payments in the county remains near its lowest level in years.

In January, 1998, the department had a caseload of 484 families, representing 1,106 people, compared to 389 cases representing 898 people in January, 1999, Bicroft reeve Bill Howe

told councillors.

"The trend continues in our area. It's a good sign."

The county's share of the social service department's budget may "bottom out" at about \$2.3-million, Howe said.

OPP change

Minden OPP Acting Staff Sgt. Bob Walli introduced himself to councillors and told them he expects to be with the detachment indefinitely.

Walli is the third person to take over command of the detachment in the short time since Staff Sgt. Andy Millar left on a sick leave.

Walli said his superiors have told him he'll be with the detachment for at least the next six months or "until the position is filled permanently."

The Cobourg resident told councillors he's interested in the permanent job. "Hopefully, I'll be here for a long time."


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Health board moves to alleviate strain on nursing staff

■ *Additional funding will increase stand-by coverage*

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

As the "front line" workers at the Haliburton and Minden hospitals, nurses are showing definite signs of battle fatigue.

One indicator of the strain is the increasing difficulty of finding a nurse who's ready at a moment's notice to work in an over-crowded emergency department or accompany a patient who has to be transferred to another hospital.

"It's not uncommon for us to be right down to the wire," executive director Foster Loucks told the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board on Thursday night. "I won't say it's a dangerous situation but it's risky."

Other, larger hospitals often don't share the same problem because when one department is busy, they can transfer staff from another department. "We don't have that luxury," Loucks said.

Instead, when either hospital unexpectedly needs an additional nurse, one of the already-busy nurses must go through the list of off-duty nurses, phoning each one until one of them agrees to come into work. Often the off-duty nurses have other commitments or cannot get babysitters for their children at such short notice. It's happened that the nurse trying to find help goes through the entire list without success and has to start at the top again.

"I've seen some arm-twisting," Loucks commented. "To compound the problem, the staff making the calls are doing so at a time they can least afford to."

Board chairman Hugh Nichol, whose wife is a nurse at Haliburton Hospital, says nurses often hesitate to accept requests to transfer patients to other hospitals because they can get stranded at the other hospital with no way to get home. One night, a nurse got flown to the Lindsay airport, the land ambulance left with the patient and when she tried to use the pay phone to call a taxi, she discovered the phone wasn't working. She had to walk, in the dark, to the nearest pay phone.

On other transfers, the ambulance can wait for a while in order to take the nurse back to Haliburton or Minden, but often has to leave before she's ready.

To try to alleviate the situation, the board agreed to spend an estimated \$23,000 a year on stand-by fees. For every shift, a nurse will be paid \$2.50 an hour to be on stand-by, with the expectation that when called,

she will come into work at either site, for a minimum of four hours.

Loucks believes that in the majority of cases, having only one nurse on stand-by will be sufficient.

Asked whether the stand-by will be for eight- or 12- or 24-hour shifts, Loucks said "there's no group that can better come up with a system that can work than the group that has to work it. We'll let the staff decide how to implement it."



Victory and Salutations:

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Things to do in the Highlands community calendar

- Mar. 3: TASS vs. Haliburton, 8:00 p.m.
- Mar. 3: *Join Wheels to Meals in West Guilford*, 12 noon, at RIP's. For additional information contact Home Support at 457-2941 or 1-800-567-2941.
- Mar. 3 or 4: Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit - Notice to all persons engaged in food preparation at home or at work. The Health Unit is offering the *National Sanitation Training Program (NSTP) One-day Foodhandler Certificate Course*, at the Health Unit, Hwy. #118, March 3 or 4, 9:30 - 4:30, \$20 per person. For more info. to register call the Health Unit, week days, 8:30 - 4:30, (705) 457-1391.
- Mar. 4: L.I.F.T. *Ladies In Fellowship Together* - "It's Tune Up Time" with speaker Yvonne Hughes. Music - Robin Woodcock, special feature: Nigel Atkinson, Carnarvon Garage "Basic Car Maintenance", 7:30 - 9:30 at West Guilford Baptist Church. Info. call Alice, 754-2808.
- Mar. 5: *Hockey - Kawartha Championships*, Peterborough, 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
- Mar. 4 - 6: The Highlands Little Theatre presents "*June Groom*", a romp of a comedy at Archie Stouffer School in Minden, Thursday through Saturday, March 4 - 6. Tickets available at The Storeroom, Minden and Cranberry Cottage, Haliburton. For more info, call Donna at 457-1885.
- Mar. 5: *World Day of Prayer*. Theme, 'God's Tender Touch', written by the Christian Women of Venezuela. At St. George's Anglican Church, 7:30 p.m. Speaker - Marilyn Thayer.
- Mar. 8: *International Women's Day*, celebrate with music, readings, and internationally flavoured food, Monday, March 8, 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. YWCA women's resource centre, back of Halco Plaza, beside CHACE Place. More info. call 457-1942.
- Mar. 9: *Volunteer Mentoring Workshop* - Do you have the skills to mentor a youth? Most of us do but don't realize it. Join us on Tuesday, March 9, 7 p.m. at Family Services office on Eastern Avenue for more information on becoming a volunteer, or call Marilou at 457-5345, Ex. 304.
- Mar. 9: *Join Wheels to Meals in Gooderham*, 12 noon, at Gooderham Community Centre. For additional information call Home Support at 457-2941 or 1-800-567-2941.
- Mar. 9 - Apr. 13: *Bereavement Support Group Six Week Workshop* - Tuesdays, Mar. 9 - Apr. 13, 2:00 p.m. at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Family Centre. Open to anyone who is experiencing a grief situation. For further information call Donna at 286-2181.
- Mar. 10: *Join Wheels to Meals in Haliburton*, 12 noon, at Kei's Haliburton. For additional information call Home Support at 457-2941 or 1-800-567-2941.
- Mar. 13: *Legion Ladies Auxiliary Flea Market*, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. For more information, phone 457-1467. Proceeds to community projects.
- Mar. 13: *Burnt-Irondale Fisheries Enhancement Association, 2nd Annual Ice Fishing Derby*. Contau Lake, Gooderham, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. rain or shine. \$2,000 in prizes. Presentation of prizes at the Gooderham Community Centre at 4:30 p.m. Association promotes Live Release. All MNR regulations apply. \$20 entry fee. For more info contact Alan Bunn, 447-3456.
- Mar. 15 - 18: Plan to attend *CHACE Place* during the week of March Break. Games, activities and crafts for all ages. School age children welcome. Monday, March 15 - Music circle, crafts and games. Tuesday, March 16 - Movies, popcorn and games. Wednesday, March 17 - "P.J. Breakfast" starting at 10:00 a.m. Pancakes and sausage, 'wear your pajamas', call to sign-up, 457-2989. Thursday, March 18 - Open all day, 9:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.: daytime: March Birthday Party, games and crafts; evening: "Delicious Supper Party". Call to see what's on and sign-up, 457-2989. Games available for school age children - Yahtzee, Twister and Crokinole! Come in and join the fun!
- Mar. 17: *Haliburton and Area Acquired Brain Injury Support Meeting* for survivors and caregivers at Haliburton Access Centre on Hwy. 118, beside Municipal Garage, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. For more info call Maureen Johnson at 457-1600.
- Mar. 18: *Razzamataz Kids Shows presents Motus O Dance Theatre* - ALICE, 2:00 p.m., Archie Stouffer Elementary School, Minden. Tickets \$8/person at the door. Co-sponsored by Grafton Utility Supplies, Minden IDA and the Ontario Arts Council.



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To celebrate Nutrition Month visit the Dietitians of Canada website at:

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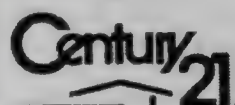
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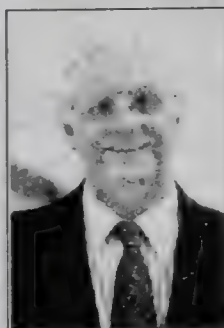
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GRADE 4, 5 AND 6 PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

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SUPER STORYTELLERS:

These young students competed in the Haliburton Legion's story telling contest on Sunday afternoon, earning the admiration of the large audience. From left are, front row: Siobhan Creelman, 3rd, Malorie Jo Gilbert, 1st, and Sammy Blanchard, 2nd. Back row: Doug Wallace, Kristoffer Cox and Christopher O'Mara.

On Sunday afternoon, young students from Haliburton were able to quash their jitters as they stood in front of the "honourable judges, fellow contestants and members of the audience" to compete in the Royal Canadian Legion's annual public speaking contest in Haliburton.

It was an informative and entertaining afternoon as the speakers delighted their friends and supporters. The first-place winners will represent Haliburton at the next level of public speaking competition, this Sunday in Coboconk.



GRADE 7, 8, 9 AND 10 PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

After hours spent researching and writing, these students made their speeches come to life at Sunday's public speaking contest sponsored by the Haliburton Legion. From left are, front row: Chris Postill, 3rd for Grades 7 and 8, Loran Dart and Kate Foulds, 1st and only speaker for Grades 9 and 10. Back row: Reuben Maughan, 2nd, and Amelia Ambridge, 1st.

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Birthday greetings to Dustin Clark, Gordon Nicholls and Genevieve DeBeau.

We have been told that time is so fleeting, and also so precious, that we should snatch every moment as it comes along, and make the most of it. No procrastinating, putting off until tomorrow, or lazing around. I'm sure this is true, and pays off if one can live up to it. How many have planned winter activities, writing notes, sorting family and travel pictures and on and on, and those chores are still not done. And the winter is three-quarters gone. But where did the time go? I guess we didn't snatch those fleeting moments, human nature being what it is.

Marcella McKay is now residing in Rodger's Cove in Huntsville. She is in good spirits and gets around remarkably well with the aid of her walker. We send her best wishes for continued progress and speedy recovery from her ailments.

The Dorset Lions Club puts on an evening of entertainment for the senior members of the Dorset community each year in February. This event took place last Thursday evening at Camp Dorset and it was really great. A

delicious dinner was served and everyone oohed and ahed over each delectable item on the buffet table. There was music by the McLennans and Joe Alfano was there with his saxophone.

The five top contestants for the Lions' public speaking contest from the Dorset Public School, each presented their contest speeches. They were all very well done and delightfully delivered. It was an all-girl show and the young ladies showed real talent in constructing their work and delivering it.

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Phyllis Briscoe

766-2237

There were more than 100 guests who partook of the Lions Club hospitality and enjoyed an evening of sociability, fun and good food. Thank you, Lions.

The snowmobilers collect in groups on the ice to watch the

"whatevers" travel the open water, similar to the gallery at a golf tournament, but quite a different aspect of entertainment.

Lost: One ladies duck boot at Camp Dorset on Thursday evening. If found please call 766-2409. One duck boot is lonesome by itself and doesn't quite do the job!

You have reached middle age if all you exercise is caution.

The Dorset Foot Clinic at the Dorset Seniors Centre will be held on Wednesday, March 10. Please call Ebba at 766-2264 for

an appointment.

Is there a law to prohibit snowmobilers from getting off their machines on the ice and walking over to the shore, coming onto your property and using it for a bathroom? It happens all the time. What ill-mannered, inconsiderate or just plain ignorant people we have in our society.

H.H. A container for gravy that will keep it hot and is easy to pour from, is a teapot. A clear Pyrex one is ideal, but any one will work.

County would like to hear from any group planning a millennium project

by Leslie A. Shepherd,
County C.A.O.

The Millennium Celebration Committee of the County wants to determine what events are being scheduled in each community for the calendar year starting January 1, 2000.

The end result would be a complete compilation of dates that would be included in a county-wide calendar to be distributed through the lake associations, the newspapers and to be published on a website.

It would also be helpful to know if specific projects are being launched with the assistance of Millennium funding. Is your community planning any specific event focused on ringing in the new millennium? Some groups may not have specific dates set at this point, but an indication that they intend to submit information would still be helpful.

The Committee would like to receive any input by March 15th so they can start focusing on other goals. They would also appreciate it if any submissions from volunteer groups could be sent to municipal offices until that date so everything can arrive in one package.

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AHHH, SPA DAY...

Thanks to volunteer spirit of several local businesswomen and professionals who donated their time and talents to lead several workshops, about 40 women got to indulge in a day that mixed indulging the body with invigorating the mind. Above, Sandi Luck of Mill House Design leads a workshop on colour for interiors while above right, Cheryl Bathe gives Janet Bottum a manicure while Darlene Box gets a relaxing pedicure from Brenda Coty. For those who wanted to burn off a few calories from the lunch served in Wigamog's dining room, Alison Logan of the Haliburton Aerobics Co-op leads a gentle work out. Proceeds from the day will be donated to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation's efforts to raise money for the healthcare expansion projects.

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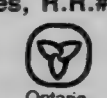
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Application or resume must be received by March 17, 1999. Quoting file NR2992256(P), send to: **Manager, Leslie M. Frost Natural Resources Centre, Ministry of Natural Resources, R.R.#2, Minden, Ontario, K0M 2K0.**
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Mr. Leslie A. Shepherd, County Engineer
Mr. Jim McMahon, Road Chairman



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Quotation Packages may be picked up at:

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WEST GUILFORD NOTES

World Day of Prayer to be held at Maple Lake United Church with a Venezuelan theme

by ELEANOR COOPER

Janet Sisson and Linda Sisson have been holidaying recently in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico.

Mildred Cooper was in Guilford for a few days to visit with the Greg coopers and with Elva, Earl and Eleanor.

World Day of Prayer is on March 5 at Maple Lake

United Church at 2 p.m. This year's presentation reflects some segments of life in Venezuela and includes some drama.

Get well wishes for Shane Sisson who has recently undergone knee surgery.

Congratulations to Kevin Crofts and Karine MacMillan on the birth of their son, Greg Aaron, on

February 22, weighing in at 6 lb., 11 oz., at the Peterborough hospital.

The noon-hour lunch and video offered at St. George's on Wednesday is highly recommended as good Lenten fare. I can personally recommend the home-made soup and bread! The video is presented from Matthew's point of view.

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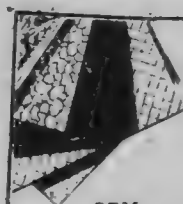
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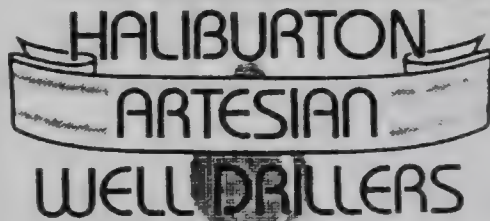
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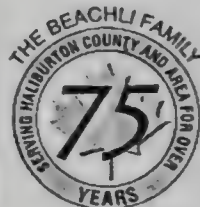
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Despite lack of training facility, Cadet Corps places second in rifle competition

by Ocdt. C. MCKENZIE

On January 31, the Haliburton Army Cadet Corps shooting team competed in the Eastern Ontario Regional Cadet Air Rifle Competition held in the Peterborough Armories. This competition is open to Air, Sea and Army Cadets from across Eastern Ontario.

The Haliburton team finished second behind Peterborough Air Cadet Squadron #534. The Peterborough team will

advance to the Provincial competition held between Cadet Corps from across the province.

The Haliburton team finished second even though they have no location to practise or even sight in their rifles. They train by "dry firing" in the Legion hall and "sighted" their rifles during the actual competition.

The corps is appealing to any business or service organization in the Haliburton area which could provide a training

location. What is required is an indoor heated, well lighted area at least 40 feet long. The Cadet Air Rifle shooting program uses a very accurate low powered air rifle which could be fired safely indoors. Approved backstops and pellet traps are supplied by the Department of National Defence.

All shooting training is carried out under the direct supervision of a Cadet Instructor Cadre Canadian Armed Forces Reserve Officer. Anyone

willing to provide such a facility should contact the corp or any staff member.

With a suitable training location, the Haliburton Corps could certainly compete at the provincial level and shooters who have learned to shoot in the Cadet program have advanced to compete on Canada's Olympic Team.

Shooting is only one aspect of training provided to Army Cadets. The program is open to youth, aged 12 to 18 years. The Haliburton Corps meets on Monday nights between 6:30 and 9:00 p.m. at the Legion. New members are welcome.



CADET CORP #1129 AIR RIFLE TEAM:

The Highlands competitors were, from left: Front row - Cpt. C. Hie, Mcpl. J. Hie (Cadet Coach); Back row - M.W.O. D. Hughey, Cpt. M. English, Ocdt. C. McKenzie (Adult Coach), Cpt. T. Barton.

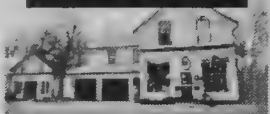
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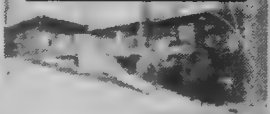
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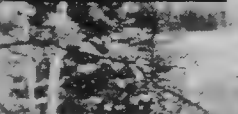


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Public speaking skills tested – and everyone gets top marks

Children from the Wilberforce school recently had the opportunity to test their public speaking abilities.

In the story telling category for the younger contestants, Jarret Donaldson was judged first for his story of "The Monster" while Heather Cumming's "When I Grow Up" was second.

In the public speaking section, Aaron Donaldson came first with his speech about hockey player "Fleury". Steven Meharrie, speaking about "Computers", and Jennifer Cumming on "My Cottage" were tied

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for second. Jocelyn Donaldson was next with an information talk on "Chiropractic" medicine, followed by Ashley Alden telling about "My Dog Sassy".

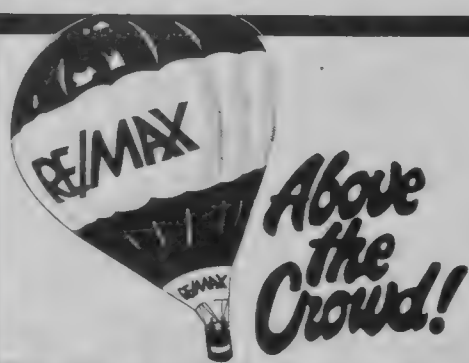
Aaron and Jarret will compete again at the next level which is within Canadian Legion zones rather than school districts. Good luck, boys.

A successful weekend bonspiel at the local curl-

ing club was won by the Walsh/Nottage team.

The Millennium Committee meets Thursday, March 4 at Maple View at 7 p.m. If you have interest in or ideas about possible activities, call Kathy Rogers or Shirley Rilely.

An evening of Gospel Music is being organized by Clara Burt and Friends from various churches in the area to take place Saturday evening, March 13 at the LWMC. It will begin with a soup and sandwich pot luck supper at 6 p.m. followed by the music.



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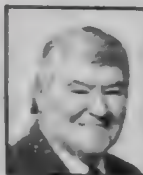
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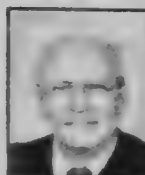
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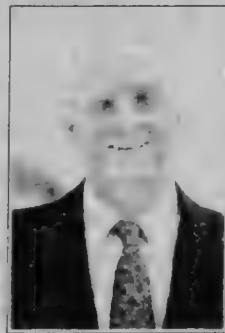
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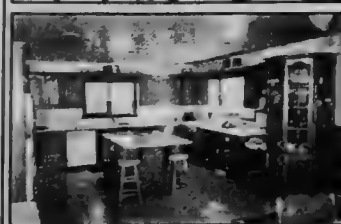
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Date: Saturday, March 13, 1999

Time: 9:00am to 3:00pm

Place: Legion Hall, Mountain Street, Haliburton

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Saturday, March 6, 1999
1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
at The Haven of Rest Chapel,
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707 BIRTHS

Nicole, Cheri, Kevin Jr. and Connor, are thrilled to announce the arrival of their brother,

GREG AARON CROFTS

on Monday, February 22, at 4:52 a.m., at 6 lb., 15 oz., as are his parents, Kevin Crofts Sr. and Karena MacMillan.

708 OBITUARIES

FRASER, DORIS (Resident of Haliburton, Ontario): Peacefully at Extencare-Haliburton on Friday, February 26, 1999 in her 66th year. Beloved wife of the late George Andrew MacDonald Fraser. Loving mother of the late Geraldine (Mrs. Peter Cowen) of Haliburton who predeceased her on February 10, 1999, and Patrick and his wife Judy of Oshawa. Lovingly remembered by her grandchildren Eugene, Janine, Tanya and Jenny and great grandchildren Petey and Katie. Dear sister of Raymond, Cecil, Leslie, Gerald, John, Carl, Ronald, Violet Maughan, Betty Sawyer and her half brother Wesley Sisson. Also

708 OBITUARIES

CONTINUED...

lovingly remembered by many nieces and nephews and friends. Friends were invited to call at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Hwy. #118, Haliburton (705) 457-9209, on Sunday afternoon, February 28, 1999 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Funeral Service was in the Chapel on Monday morning, March 1, 1999 at 11 o'clock. Spring interment Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. As expressions of sympathy, donations to a charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.

CA

**KENNETH HUBERT
ANDERSON**
(Formerly of Hyland Crest)
Passed away at the
Versa Care Centre,
Uxbridge on Tuesday,
February 23, 1999
In his 64th year.

Son of the late Roy and Nell Anderson, brother of Bill of New Brunswick, and Bud of Minden and predeceased by brothers Jim and Wayne, and by his sister Shirley. Fondly remembered by his nieces, nephews and friends. Friends were invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, 127 Main St., Minden on Sunday, February 28, 1999 from 12:00 o'clock noon until the time of the Funeral Service in the chapel at 2:00 p.m. Cremation to follow. Memorial donations to the Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home would be appreciated.

CA

SAXBY, JOHN EDWARD "TED": At Kingston General Hospital, Kingston on Tuesday morning, February 23, 1999 in his 86th year. Beloved husband of Evelyn Sibley and the late Edith Burns. Loving father of Patricia (Dennis Baker) of Hamilton, John (Marcia) of Ottawa, Janet (Chris) Gordonier of Mount Shasta, California, Richard (Nukhet) of Houston, Texas, Carla Watson of Haliburton, and Albert (Sandra) of Essonville. Fondly remembered by fourteen grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Dear brother of Frank (Joan) and sister Joyce (Jim) Suckling, both of England. Predeceased by his brothers Steven and William. Ted was a retired Colonel in the British-India Army. At Ted's request there will be no visitation or Funeral Service. Cremation has taken place. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Haliburton & District Lions Club would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209.

CA

FREDERICK STANK
Passed away suddenly at his home in the Hunter Creek Estates, Minden, on February 20, 1999
In his 76th year.

Beloved husband of the late Edith Ina Fielding. Fred is survived by his sister Annie Bicko and by his niece Jane Bicko, both of Barrie. Friends were invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, 127 Main St., Minden, on Thursday, February 25, 1999 from 12:00 o'clock noon until the time of the Funeral and Legion Services in the Chapel at 2:00 p.m. Reception followed at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #636 on Highway #35, Minden. Spring interment at Ingoldsby Pioneer Cemetery. Memorial donations to the Minden Hospital Building Fund would be appreciated by the family.

CA

708 OBITUARIES

STEINSKY, RUDOLPH (Resident of Eagle Lake, Ontario): Peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital on Sunday morning, February 28, 1999 in his 78th year. Beloved husband of Eva Policky. Loving father of Rudy and his wife Ronnie of New Hampshire, USA, Mary Lu (Mrs. Vic Taylor) of Markham and Stan and his wife Kelly of Lindsay. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Suzanne, Ricky, Trevor, Tanner and Jack. Survived by his brother John. Predeceased by his brother Cyril. Friends called at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Hwy. #118, Haliburton (705) 457-9209 on Monday, March 1, 1999 from 3 - 5 p.m. Then to Dixon-Garland Funeral Home, 166 Main St. N. (Hwy. #48) in Markham on Tuesday evening, March 2, 1999 from 7-9 p.m. Funeral Service in the Chapel on Wednesday afternoon, March 3, 1999 at 1 o'clock. Cremation to follow. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHS Foundation), P.O. Box 569, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 would be appreciated by the family.

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VIOLA CORNISH
(Resident of Chelsey Park
Nursing Home in
Mississauga, Ontario)
Passed away peacefully on
Saturday, February 27, 1999
In her 91st year.

Beloved wife of the late John Cornish. Loving mother of Ralph Cornish and his wife Jan. Loving grandmother of Gerry Cornish and his wife April and predeceased by her grandson John Ralph Cornish. Dear sister of Cecil Robinson and his wife Margaret of Haliburton. Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, 127 Main St., Minden on Tuesday, March 2, 1999 from 12:00 o'clock noon until the time of Funeral Service in the Chapel at 2:00 p.m. Reception to follow in the family centre at the Funeral Home. Spring interment at St. Andrews - St. James Cemetery, Orillia. Memorial donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

CA

709 IN MEMORIAM

STAMP, GRENVILLE - In memory of a dear uncle who passed away March 7, 1990.

He walks with us down quiet paths, And speaks in wind and rain, For the magic power of memory, Gives him back to us again. Lovingly remembered by nieces and nephews **Alberta, Bernie, Cheryl, David, Erin and families.**

STAMP, HATTIE & GRENVILLE - In loving memory of a dear mother and brother who passed away March 7, 1973 and 1990.

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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DAVID LEONARD DANILKO**

All creditors and others having claims against the Estate of the late David Leonard Danilko, of the Township of Snowdon, in the County of Haliburton, who died on or about the 29th day of January, 1999, are required to file the particulars of such claim with the undersigned solicitor for the said Estate on or before the 16th day of March, 1999.

AND TAKE NOTICE that after the last date named, the assets of the said Estate will be distributed amongst the persons entitled hereto by the Executor/Administrator of the Estate, having regard only to the claims of which the solicitor below shall have notice.

DATED at Haliburton, Ontario this 18th day of February, 1999.
RAYMOND G. SELBIE, Barrister,
Solicitor, P.O. Box 186, Haliburton,
Ontario K0M 1S0.

CA

712 CARDS OF THANKS

ONE OF THE toughest times we encounter in life, is the death of a parent. But it is also a time to reflect on all the good times and, yes, even a few of the not so good times. But it's from these memories, that one gets their strength from, to move onward and upward and carry forth the torch that will always burn within my heart for my dad, Charlie Brohm. It's also times like these, where you are humbly reminded by all of those who have come to not only offer their condolences, but also share little stories about how dad touched their lives and, in their own way, help carry some of the emptiness and sorrow one feels. So, to all of you who have helped me get through dad's passing with your unconditional love and support, I thank each and every one of you from the bottom of my heart. I would like to extend a special thank you to Brian Nicholson. You've been a great friend to dad for many years, Brian - what you have done for dad in his time of need will never be forgotten - thank you, Brian. Thank you to Dr. Bottom and staff at Haliburton Hospital. Your care and compassion was excellent, thank you. To Dwaine Lloyd and Molly Freeman and staff at Haliburton Community Funeral Home, your commitment to making these times easier is exemplary. Thank you so much for all of your compassion and thoughtfulness. And last, but not least, to all of those in my family who have helped me in every way possible. You all know who you are and I love each of you so very much. May God bless each and every one of you. Sincerely, **Ian Brohm.**

THE HALIBURTON FIGURE SKATING CLUB, as host for the 1999 Kawartha Highlands Interclub Skating Competition, would like to thank the following for making the day on February 27 a successful event: Karen Perrott - the Interclub Chairperson, Toni Carr, judges and accounting officials, Radio Shack, Sharp Electric, Caleb's Meadow Catering, Harding Art and Craft Supplies, Pharmx Rexall, Ron and Jim at the arena, parent and skater volunteers from Haliburton, and the other participating skating clubs. And a great big thank you to all those who enjoyed the competition and who otherwise supported our club. The winner of the TV/VCR combo was Bill Mulholland of Haliburton and the winner of the \$100 bill was Catherine Althoff, one of the accounting officials for the day.

CA

712 CARDS OF THANKS

A SINCERE thank you to Haliburton Minor Hockey for the thoughtful donation to the Hospital Fund in memory of my brother Murray. **Ray (Scotty) Scott**

I WOULD like to thank my family for the lovely surprise party for my 85th birthday and a very special thank you to everyone who attended to help me celebrate this occasion and make it a very special evening. **Andy Bull**

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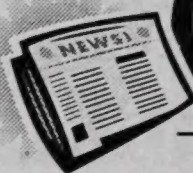
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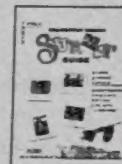
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Eva Howe of Haliburton thought our readers would be interested in this article from a 1969 edition of Bell News.

by R. Devaney
W.A. - P.R. writer

Haliburton - This village sits in the middle of thousands of acres of cottage country where the livin' is easy.
Like hell it is.

Not in the winter anyway, when the lakes are frozen over, the snow is four feet deep in the bush and the mercury tries to fall through the bottom of the thermometer.

When John Diefenbaker was Prime Minister, he had a vision of the North. It was never like this.

- Raw winds that freeze fingers inside work gloves.
- Blowing snow that hides landmarks.
- Dense bush and deep snow that slows progress.
- And a sense of isolation.

Two crews totalling 25 hardy construction types are stringing wire along roads and through miles of bush in the Haliburton Highlands this winter in a two-year program to bring dial service to cottagers and year-round residents by 1971.

They can hardly wait for summer. Summer means sun, sand and swimming. And girls. Their home is Wigamog Inn, on the west shore of Lake Kashagawigamog, a long, narrow lake ringed round with resorts.

Because the lodge is normally closed in the winter season, the linesmen are able to have rooms of their own.

The engineers on the job live in the main lodge building.

Working under construction foremen Keith Gibb and Evan McCullough, the crews are running cable - everything from 11 pair to 150 pair - around several lakes in this rugged area 140 miles north-east of Toronto.

(Seven dial offices are being built - in Haliburton, Minden, Carnarvon, West Guilford, Wilberforce, Gooderham and Kinmount).

Line trucks can go only so far. After that it's snowshoes, ski-doo's and the Terrain Master, an eight-ton machine on treads with a custom trailer for lifting and carrying cable reels.

The crews went into the area last November. By mid-February each had run about 35 miles of cable. Cut date for the Carnarvon exchange, plus the trunk circuits to Minden and Haliburton is June 1.

While large areas of the Highlands are uninhabited in the winter, the area promises to become a year-round place to live with snowmobiles solving the transportation problem.

Plus the fact that the area is the last large, undeveloped lake and tourist district within easy driving distance of major urban areas in southern Ontario.

One report has it that three real estate salesmen from just one Peterborough firm each sold over half a million dollars worth

of property in the Highlands area alone last year.

So much for the work. What to do the rest of the time?

Bearded Garry Guernsey of Grimsby got a ground tent for shelter and went ice fishing. He has his family with him and rents a cottage up the road from the lodge.

Lately he's taken to curling three nights a week, once in mixed curling with his wife. She

curls two nights a week while he babysits.

Now the only time he has for ice fishing is on weekends.

His kids are picked up at the door each day by the school bus.

For the fellows living in the lodge, it's a dormitory sort of life. There's an attractive lounge with a big fireplace for reading and loafing.

There's ping-pong, darts, crokinole, cards, TV and the

inevitable bull session.

In Haliburton, there's a movie theatre, Legion and an In-and-Out store that's closed on Wednesdays. Tuesday nights there's a lot of traffic into Haliburton from the lodge.

Weekends are good for skiing, at Sir Sam's Inn not far from Haliburton, skating and hunting.

If you're a real skating nut, you'll find ice in the Haliburton

arena all year.

Wren Blair, general manager (and currently coach) of the Minnesota North Stars runs a hockey camp on nearby Koshlong Lake during the summer, and his boys use the ice.

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